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The Ontario Government provides many types of financial assistance programs for municipalities, boards and commissions. This publication outlines the programs available through each ministry for the fiscal year ending on March 31, 1993.

This book is produced to help you choose the programs that are in the best interests of the people in your community. I am confident that you will find this to be an excellent resource publication.

Sincerely,

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Minister
Ministry of Municipal Affairs

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MINISTRY OF

Agriculture and Food

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DRAINAGE WORKS

Purpose of Assistance

To provide part of the cost of drainage works that drain agricultural lands, including the cost of embanking, pumping machinery, and maintenance

Eligible Recipients

Cities
Towns
Villages
Townships

Conditions and Procedures

- Works must be undertaken in accordance with Section 4, 74, or 78 of the Drainage Act.
- The council must forward to the minister a copy of the engineering report and an application for grant (available from the ministry).
- The minister may authorize emergency work that must be done before the engineer's report is adopted.
- Municipalities that are doing maintenance work must have a ministry-approved drainage superintendent before they are eligible for grants.

Basis of Assistance

Municipalities in a county: 33-1/3 per cent of the cost assessed against agricultural land

Municipalities in a territorial district: 66-2/3 per cent of the cost assessed against agricultural land

Reference

The Drainage Act

Further Information

Resources Management Branch
Ministry of Agriculture and Food
Guelph Agricultural Centre
P.O. Box 1030
Guelph, Ontario. N1H 6N1
(519) 767-3561

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LIVESTOCK COMPENSATION

Purpose of Assistance

To reimburse a municipality for compensation it has paid to livestock owners for losses caused by wolves

Eligible Recipients

Any municipality

Conditions and Procedures

- A livestock owner who has had livestock killed or injured by a dog or a wolf may apply to the municipality for compensation.
- A municipal valuer investigates and assesses the damage, and the municipality compensates the owner for the market value of the livestock killed or injured, to maximum amounts prescribed under the legislation.
- The municipality applies to the ministry for reimbursement of any compensation it has paid for losses caused by wolves.

Basis of Assistance

The ministry reimburses the municipality for all compensation it has paid for losses caused by wolves.

Reference

The Dog Licensing and Live Stock and Poultry Protection Act

Further Information

Farm Assistance Programs Branch
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Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2B2
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SECTION 2

MINISTRY OF

Citizenship

1

CITIZENSHIP DEVELOPMENT (CD) GRANTS PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To support community initiatives that enhance the integration and full participation of Ontario's multicultural population

Eligible Recipients

Community-based, non-profit organizations and public institutions such as municipalities, boards of education, and community colleges

Conditions and Procedures

The organization:

- must demonstrate its commitment to the project and the capacity to carry it out successfully,
- must demonstrate support from the community/clientele that it serves,
- must have been in existence for at least one full year,
- must subscribe to the intent and spirit of the Ontario Human Rights Code,
- must be incorporated or must seek co-sponsorship from an incorporated community organization,
- must submit a complete and accurate application for each project for which funding is requested, and
- must maintain, and retain for a three-year period, complete financial records for the organization and the funded project.

The project:

- must have a specific time frame not to exceed one year,
- may be resubmitted for funding in subsequent years, when requests will be considered based on merit and annual ministry priorities,
- must not be of a political or sectarian nature.

Further Information

Contact the local Field Services Office (see addresses at end of section).

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COMMUNITY FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CFIP)

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with:

- the acquisition/construction of new facilities that provide multicultural and settlement services,
- alterations or renovations to existing facilities that improve the delivery of multicultural and settlement services,
- feasibility studies to determine the viability of renovations and additions to a facility as well as the overall feasibility of a proposed new facility,
- life safety studies as prescribed in the Fire Marshals Act,
- special amenities to improve accessibility for disabled persons to facilities used for multicultural or citizenship purposes

Eligible Recipients

Any municipality, Indian band council, or incorporated non-profit organization that delivers services/programs within the mandate of the ministry and that has been incorporated for at least one year prior to application

Conditions and Procedures

The intent of the program is to share in projects that are financially viable. The sources of funds or other assistance required to complete the project should therefore not place a capital debt burden on the owner of the facility. An applicant must be able to demonstrate that all funds necessary to complete the project will be available.

Basis of Assistance

- For organizations whose primary objective is the provision of settlement and integration services: up to 75 per cent of the eligible cost of constructing new facilities or of acquiring/renovating existing facilities may be provided to a maximum of $500,000
- For organizations whose primary objective is the provision of cultural retention and sharing: up to 1/3 of the eligible cost of constructing new facilities and up to 1/2 of the eligible cost of acquisition/renovation projects may be provided to a maximum of $250,000
- For First Nations Band Councils and Native cultural organizations: up to 75 per cent of the total eligible cost of projects involving either acquisition/renovation or new construction may be provided to a maximum of $250,000

Further Information
Contact the local Field Services Office (see addresses at end of section).

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ANTI-RACISM STRATEGY PROJECT GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance
To provide support to anti-racist organizational change initiatives by community-based advocacy organizations and broader public and private sector organizations
Funding will be provided for initiatives in one or more of the following categories:

- Anti-Racism Public Education and Training Activities
- Anti-Racism Policy and Program Implementation
- Reducing Racial Tensions and Conflict
- Access of Foreign-trained Individuals to Professions and Trades in Ontario

Eligible Recipients

- Community-based advocacy organizations
- Private sector organizations
- Broader public sector organizations including municipalities, school boards, hospitals, colleges, and universities that have been in existence for at least one year.

Conditions and Procedures

- The project should clearly demonstrate how it promotes one or more of the following ministry objectives:
  - equality of treatment and opportunity and access to services for racial minorities,
  - anti-racism, positive race relations, and reduction of racial tension and conflict,
  - elimination of systemic barriers faced by the foreign-trained to licensing, certification, or registration in a trade or profession.
- Assistance is available to an applicant only once per year (April 1, 1992 - March 31, 1993).
- Because the available funds are limited, all applications will be reviewed and considered under a batching system. Applications will be received during the periods June 1 to July 10, 1992 and October 26 to December 4, 1992.
- All eligible applicants will be considered on the basis of program criteria, needs and priorities, and available funds.
- In recognition of the needs of Northern Ontario communities, special consideration will be given to applications relating to those communities.

Basis of Assistance

- Requests for grants will be considered to a maximum of $35,000.
- Broader public and private sector organizations must provide up to 50 per cent of the cost of the project.

Further Information

Contact the local Ontario Anti-Racism Secretariat Field Office listed below:

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SECTION 3

MINISTRY OF [redacted]

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CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETIES - CAPITAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of erecting a new building or an addition to an existing building, or of acquiring and renovating an existing building, for the provision of a facility for the delivery of an approved service to children

Eligible Recipients

Children's Aid Societies

Conditions and Procedures

- The prior approval in writing of the Minister of Community and Social Services is required.
- An application for capital financial assistance must be completed in the prescribed form.

Basis of Assistance

The minister may approve a payment to the society of up to 80 per cent, and under special circumstances of up to 100 per cent, of the approved cost of erecting a new building, acquiring a building, or renovating an existing building for an approved program.

The ministry may pay up to 60 per cent for buildings that provide administrative accommodation.

Reference
The Child and Family Services Act; R.R.O. O.Reg. 550/85

Further Information
Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETIES - OPERATING COSTS

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with operating costs included in the approved estimates of a society

Eligible Recipients
Children's Aid Societies

Conditions and Procedures
- The estimates, prepared in the form prescribed under the regulations, must be approved by the council of each municipality in the area in which the society has jurisdiction, or by the child welfare budget board of a district.
- The estimates must also be approved by the Minister of Community and Social Services.

Basis of Assistance
The ministry pays:
- 80 per cent of the approved operating costs of the society,
- 100 per cent of the costs of supporting Indian children with reserve status in the care of the society, and of the cost of all other services of the society for Indian families, calculated in accordance with the regulations,
- 100 per cent of the cost of care and other services (calculated in accordance with the regulations) of children who come into the care of children's aid societies on placement for adoption, or with their foster parents from the care of child welfare authorities in other provinces, where approved by the director and consistent with interprovincial agreements,
- 100 per cent of the cost of a demonstration project approved by the minister.

Reference
The Child and Family Services Act; R.R.O. O.Reg. 550/85 and 551/85

Further Information
Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETIES - OPERATING COST RE: UNORGANIZED TERRITORY

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the operating costs attributable to unorganized territory within a society's jurisdiction

Eligible Recipients
Children's aid societies having jurisdiction in territory without municipal organization

Conditions and Procedures
- The estimates, prepared in the form prescribed under the regulations, must be approved by the council of each municipality in the area in which the society has jurisdiction or by the child welfare budget board of a district.
- The estimates must also be approved by the Minister of Community and Social Services.

Basis of Assistance
100 per cent of:

$$\frac{\text{children from unorganized territory in care of the society}}{\text{total no. of children in care}} \times \text{total municipal share of the adjusted cost of children in care}$$

100 per cent of:

$$\frac{\text{population of unorganized territory,}}{\text{population of area under jurisdiction of society}} \times \text{total municipal share of the adjusted cost of other services}$$

Payments are made in monthly instalments.

Reference
The Child and Family Services Act; R.R.O. O.Reg. 550/85 and 551/85

Further Information
Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

DAY NURSERIES - CAPITAL COSTS

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the cost of constructing a new building or an addition to an existing building, purchasing or otherwise acquiring an existing building, or furnishing and equipping a building to be used as a day nursery

Eligible Recipients
Cities)
Towns) but not if within a
Villages) metropolitan/regional municipality
Townships)
Metropolitan/Regional Municipalities
Counties
Approved Indian Bands
Approved Corporations
Incorporated Non-Profit Groups

Conditions and Procedures
- Proposals to construct or erect facilities must be approved in principle by the minister in advance.
- The site and plans must also be approved in advance by the minister.
- Requests for payment must be accompanied by a certificate of a member in good standing of the Ontario Association of Architects or of the Ontario Association of Professional Engineers, certifying:
  - that the erection, addition, purchase or other acquisition, or renovation has been completed in accordance with the plans approved by the minister, and
  - that the building or addition is ready for use and occupancy.

Basis of Assistance
For municipalities: 50 per cent of the cost of new buildings and 80 per cent of the costs of renovating existing buildings, of equipment and furnishings that are not replacements, or of repairs and maintenance
For other non-profit agencies: up to 80 per cent of all capital costs depending on ability to contribute and up to 100 per cent in exceptional circumstances
All capital funding for child care centres is provided under the Ministry of Community and Social Services Act and is covered by a written agreement.

Reference
The Day Nurseries Act; Reg. 760/83, as amended by O.Reg. 592/84

Further Information
Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

DAY NURSERIES - PROGRAM FUNDING

A. Fee Subsidy to Families

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the net cost:
- of providing day nursery services to a child in attendance at a day nursery operated by a band,
- of providing day nursery services at a day nursery operated by a municipality or approved corporation to a child whose parent is a person in need,
- to a municipality or Indian band of providing under an agreement day nursery services or private home day care, or both, to a child whose parent is a person in need,
- of providing day nursery services or private home day care, or both, to a handicapped child in a program operated directly by a municipality or Indian band under an agreement

Eligible Recipients
Cities)
Towns) but not if within a
Villages) metropolitan/regional municipality
Townships)
Metropolitan/Regional Municipalities
Counties
Approved Indian Bands
Approved Corporations

Conditions and Procedures
The nursery must be licensed and conducted in accordance with the regulations; private homes must be supervised by the licensed private home day care agency in accordance with the regulations.

Applications for the monthly payment of the provincial grant must be in the prescribed form and must be sent to the minister before the 20th day of the following month. Funding amounts are based on approved costs.

Basis of Assistance

For municipalities, Indian bands, and approved corporations:

- 80 per cent of costs, calculated in accordance with the regulations,
- 87 per cent of the operating costs for handicapped children under five years of age in accordance with the regulations,
- 100 per cent of the net costs for each handicapped child five years of age or older in accordance with regulations

Reference

The Day Nurseries Act; Reg. 760/83, as amended by O.Reg. 592/84

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

B. Subsidy to Programs - Direct Operating Grants

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the operating costs of the program, with a primary intent being to improve staff salaries

Eligible Recipients

All licensed child care programs and private home day care agencies

Conditions and Procedures

- The program must be licensed and conducted in accordance with the regulations.
- Private homes must be supervised by the private home day care agency in accordance with the regulations.

Basis of Assistance

- Payments are made on a quarterly basis.
- The grant amount is based on the level of staffing required by the Day Nurseries Act for the verified level of enrolment.
- All non-profit centres and private home day care agencies receive a full grant.
- For-profit programs in existence when the Direct Grant Program was announced receive 50 per cent of the full grant amount.
- For-profit programs that came into existence following the program announcement, and expansions to eligible for-profit programs, are not eligible for any direct grant funding.

Reference

The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

C. Wage Enhancement

Purpose of Assistance

To improve salaries of all staff in eligible non-profit child care programs

Eligible Recipients

- Non-profit licensed child care centres and private home day care agnecies (programs operated directly by municipalities and community colleges and universities are not eligible)
- Non-profit community organizations providing resource services for special needs children in child care settings
- Non-profit ministry-funded child care Resource Centres
- Programs funded by the ministry as child care pilot projects
- Child care programs operated by Indian bands

Conditions and Procedures

- Funds are to be distributed to permanent employees in accordance with the funding conditions outlined in the signed agreement.

Basis of Assistance

- Payments are made on a yearly basis.
- The enhancement amount is based on the number of full time equivalent staff positions in the program.
- All eligible agencies receive the full enhancement amount.

Reference

The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

D. Provider Enhancement Grant

Purpose of Assistance

To improve compensation levels of private home day care providers in non-profit private home day care agencies

Eligible Recipients

All licensed non-profit private home day care agencies

Conditions and Procedures

- Private homes must be supervised by the private home day care agency in accordance with the regulations.

Basis of Assistance

- Payments are made on a yearly basis.
- The enhancement amount is based on the level of enrolment in the agency.
- All eligible agencies receive the full grant amount.

Reference

The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

E. Program Development Fund

Purpose of Assistance

To provide one-time operational start-up costs for new or expanded non-profit licensed child care centres or private home day care agencies to assist in attaining financial stability

Ongoing financial assistance is also available to develop and maintain child care resource centres that provide support to the informal sector.

Grants for public education activities, community development, and pilot projects examining new approaches to delivering services are also available.

Eligible Recipients

Cities)
Towns) but not if within a
Villages) metropolitan/regional municipality
Townships)
Metropolitan/Regional Municipalities
Counties
Approved Indian Bands
Approved Corporations
Incorporated Non-Profit groups

Eligible incorporated non-profit groups include those:

- intending to start a licensed day nursery or private home day care agency,
- wishing to expand existing programs,
- operating or intending to operate a child care resource centre, or
- intending to undertake public education activities, community development, or pilot projects in the child care area.

Conditions and Procedures

The program requires:

- submission of a proposal and a negotiated budget approval process, and
- a formal agreement between the group and the ministry's area office.

Basis of Assistance

The amount and timing of the payments will be set out in the terms of the agreement.

Reference

The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

DISTRICT WELFARE ADMINISTRATION BOARDS - INITIAL OPERATION

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with welfare services provided by a district board in the first year of its establishment

Eligible Recipients

District Welfare Administration Boards

Conditions and Procedures

- The application for grant must be made in the prescribed form.
- The estimated expenditures of the board for the first year of its operation must be approved by the minister.
- Payment of the grant may be made during the year either in one amount or by instalments.

Basis of Assistance

The grant is 50 per cent of the board's estimated expenditure for the year, determined in accordance with Form 1.

References

The District Welfare Administration Boards Act;

Reg. 243, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with general assistance provided by a municipality, district welfare administration board, or Indian band to or on behalf of a single person or head of a family who is a person in need (but not a patient or resident in an institution other than a nursing home or hostel)

Eligible Recipients

Cities

Towns

Villages

Townships

Improvement Districts

Regional Municipalities

Counties which, with the approval of the minister, administer welfare assistance

District Welfare Administration Boards

Approved Indian Bands

Conditions and Procedures

- Where assistance is granted in any month, the welfare administrator is required to complete an application (in a form provided by the director) for each class of assistance paid in that month. The application must be sent to the minister before the 20th day of the next month.
- The minister may require additional information if deemed necessary and may require an inspection and audit of books, accounts, and vouchers relating to the application.
- Subsidy payments are made monthly.
- Under The District Welfare Administration Boards Act, where a board is established for a district, any contribution payable to a municipality in the district for welfare services is paid instead to the board.

General assistance is provided to meet expenditures for food, clothing, personal requirements, utilities, household supplies, shelter, and fuel.

The assistance granted to needy persons by a municipality, district board, or approved Indian band is based on the excess of the recipient's budgetary requirements over his/her income, determined by reference to the tables, limitations, and requirements of the regulations (see below).

Basis of Assistance

Reimbursement equals 80 per cent of the general assistance paid. However, if in any period of four consecutive months the monthly average of the number of persons receiving assistance equals or exceeds 4 per cent of the population of the municipality, the contribution is increased to 90 per cent in respect of the number of persons receiving assistance in excess of 4 per cent of the population.

Note: The per cent of population for this payment has been reduced to 3.5 per cent beginning on the 1st day of April, 1991 and ending on the 31st day of March, 1993.

There is also provision for reimbursement of 100 per cent of the assistance granted to applicants deemed not to have been resident of any organized municipality in Ontario for a period of 12 consecutive months prior to the application for assistance. The ministry must be notified within sixty days of the first payment's being made to the recipient.

References

The General Welfare Assistance Act; Reg. 441, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

The District Welfare Administration Boards Act; Reg. 243, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

SUPPLEMENTARY AID

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the provision by a municipality, district board, or Indian band of supplementary aid to the recipient of a governmental benefit, such as a pensioner under The Old Age Security Act (Canada) or a beneficiary under The Family Benefits Act, to meet the cost of shelter or extraordinary needs

Eligible Recipients

Cities
Towns
Villages
Townships
Improvement Districts
Regional Municipalities
Counties which, with the approval of the minister, administer welfare assistance
District Welfare Administration Boards
Approved Indian Bands

Conditions and Procedures

- Where assistance is granted in any month, the welfare administrator must complete an application (in a form provided by the director) for each class of assistance paid in that month. The application must be sent to the minister before the 20th day of the next month.
- The minister may require additional information if deemed necessary and may require an inspection and audit of books, accounts, and vouchers relating to the application.
- Subsidy payments are made monthly.
- Under The District Welfare Administration Boards Act, where a board is established for a district, any contribution payable to a municipality in the district for welfare services is paid instead to the board.

Basis of Assistance

The province reimburses the municipality, district board, or Indian band 80 per cent of the assistance granted.

The province may also reimburse 100 per cent of the assistance granted to applicants deemed not to have been resident of any organized municipality in Ontario for a period of 12 consecutive months prior to application for assistance. The ministry must be notified within sixty days of the first payment's being made to the recipient.

References

The General Welfare Assistance Act; Reg. 441 as amended
The District Welfare Administration Boards Act; Reg. 243, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with special assistance provided by a municipality, district board, or approved Indian band to or on behalf of a person in need

"Special assistance" means the provision of:

- drugs prescribed by a physician,
- surgical supplies and dressings,
- travel and transportation allowances,
- moving allowances,
- funerals and burials,
- dental services,
- prosthetic appliances, including eye glasses,
- vocational training or retraining,
- a personal needs allowance where the applicant or recipient is a resident in a nursing home, and
- any other special item or service authorized by the director.

Eligible Recipients

Cities
Towns
Villages
Townships
Improvement Districts
Regional Municipalities
Counties which, with the approval of the minister, administer welfare assistance
District Welfare Administration Boards
Approved Indian Bands

Conditions and Procedures

- Where assistance is granted in any month, the welfare administrator must complete an application (Form 6 under the Regulations) for each class of assistance paid in that month. The application must be sent to the minister before the 20th day of the next month.
- The minister may require additional information if deemed necessary and may require an inspection and audit of books, accounts, and vouchers relating to the application.
- Subsidy payments are made monthly.
- Under the District Welfare Administration Boards Act, where a board is established for a district, any contribution payable to a municipality in the district for welfare services is paid instead to the board.

Basis of Assistance

50 per cent of the amounts paid to or on behalf of a person in need of special assistance

References

The General Welfare Assistance Act; Reg. 441, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

The District Welfare Administration Boards Act; Reg. 243, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

WELFARE SERVICES - ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER COSTS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of administering welfare services

"Cost of administering welfare services" means payments approved by the director:

- to or on behalf of a welfare administrator who is employed full-time in the administration of welfare services and any other employee of a district welfare administration board, municipality, or approved Indian band in respect of:
  - salaries, wages, and honoraria,
  - employers' contributions in respect of a pension, unemployment insurance, or workers' compensation plan or scheme, or other employees' benefit plan or scheme,
  - travelling expenses directly related to the administration of welfare services;
- for research or consultation carried out on a contract or fee-for-service basis relating to welfare services;
- for operating costs of computer services, including rental of equipment, where as a result of such services a welfare administrator is able to provide to the director such information on the administration and operation of welfare services as the director requires.

Eligible Recipients

Cities

Towns

Villages

Townships

Improvement Districts

Regional Municipalities

Counties which, with the approval of the minister, administer welfare assistance

District Welfare Administration Boards

Approved Indian Bands

Conditions and Procedures

- No subsidy is payable to any of the above that does not have a full-time welfare administrator.
- No subsidy is payable to a district welfare administration board until the board has been in operation for a period of one year.
- The welfare administrator must complete an application (Form 8 under the Regulations) for monthly payment of the cost of administering welfare services as defined in Section 21 of the Regulations. The application must be sent to the minister before the 20th day of the month following the month in which the administration costs were paid.
- The minister may require additional information if deemed necessary and may require an inspection and audit of books, accounts, and vouchers relating to the application.

Basis of Assistance

The subsidy payable to:

- a city or a separated town,
- any municipality, approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, other than a city or separated town,
- a county that has appointed a welfare administrator under the Act or a municipality that has a population in excess of 5,000 and, by agreement with the county and with the approval of the minister, has appointed a municipal welfare administrator to administer assistance in the municipality independently of the county,
- an approved band, and
- a district welfare administration board established under the District Welfare Administration Boards Act

is 50 per cent of the cost of administering welfare services.

Fees for staff training and living allowances while receiving training are subsidized at 80 per cent. This subsidy is made available to municipalities employing either a full-time or a part-time welfare administrator.

References

The General Welfare Assistance Act; Reg. 441, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

The District Welfare Administration Boards Act; Reg. 243, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information
Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

HOMEMAKERS AND NURSES SERVICES

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the cost of providing homemaking, nursing services, or teaching homemaker services to families or individuals in their own homes who are designated as "persons in need"

Eligible Recipients
Cities
Towns
Villages
Townships
Improvement Districts
Regional Municipalities
Counties which, with the approval of the minister, administer welfare assistance
District Welfare Administration Boards
Approved Indian Bands

Conditions and Procedures
The municipal/Indian band welfare administrator must complete a statement of account and forward it to the local Long-Term Care area manager by the 20th of the month following the month in which the municipality or Indian band paid for the services.

Basis of Assistance
Homemaker, Nurse, or Teaching Homemaker: 80 per cent of the amount by which the total monthly cost of the approved services paid by the municipality or band exceeds the available monthly income of the person in need, determined in accordance with the Regulations

Reference
The Homemakers and Nurses Services Act; O. Reg. 499, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information
Local Long-Term Care Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

HOMEMAKERS INSTRUCTION

Purpose of Assistance
To reimburse the costs of courses of instruction for homemakers on child care, hygiene, home economics, meal planning, laundering, general household duties, and other skills incidental to the preceding items

Eligible Recipients
Any municipality
Approved Indian bands
Persons or organizations as approved by the minister

Conditions and Procedures
- An application for grant must be made to the ministry, accompanied by a written statement showing:
  - an outline of the purpose and content,
  - the duration, and
  - the estimated cost

  of the proposed course of instruction. The course should be approved by the minister prior to any registration of students.
- In the year following receipt of the grant the recipient must forward at a date specified by the minister a certified statement showing the amounts paid and how they were disbursed.

Basis of Assistance
100 per cent of approved costs

Reference
The Homemakers and Nurses Services Act; O. Reg. 499, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information
Local Long-Term Care Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

INTEGRATED HOMEMAKER PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
The Integrated Homemaker Program (I.H.P.) is funded by the ministry under the authority of the Homemaker and Nurses Services Act and is delivered by the Ministry of

Health's Home Care Programs. The objectives of the program are:

- to assist frail elderly and adult disabled persons to remain in their homes or in the community, and
- to allow them to return home from hospitals or other institutions.

Eligible Recipients

- Individuals who are temporarily incapacitated as a result of illness, infirmity, or injury and who require service during convalescence.
- Individuals requiring service to avoid admission to, or to be discharged to their home from, acute or long-term care institutions.

Eligible Operators

Initiated in 1986, I.H.P. is a component of the local Health Care Programs, which are in turn administered by:

Boards of Health

Regional Municipalities

Hospital Boards

Provider Agencies e.g. V.O.N.

To date the programs have been implemented in 21 of the 38 local Home Care areas. Province-wide implementation of these services is planned as part of Long Term Care Redirection, which proposes uniformity of sponsorship under Service Coordination Agencies.

Conditions and Procedures

- Service is purchased from agency providers through Home Care Program service agreements.
- The administrator is responsible for:
  - delivering the program,
  - monitoring/recording homemaker hours, and
  - completing the monthly subsidy claim.

Basis of Assistance

The Integrated Homemaker Program is 100% provincially funded, based on approved case-related budgets.

Reference

The Homemakers and Nurses Services Act; O. Reg. 499, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Long-Term Care Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

HOMES FOR THE AGED - ACQUISITION, RENOVATION OR CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONS TO EXISTING BUILDINGS OR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BUILDINGS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the capital cost of:

- acquiring, renovating, or constructing a building for use as a home, or
- altering, furnishing, and equipping an acquired building

Eligible Recipients

Municipal Homes for the Aged

Conditions and Procedures

- A letter of intent, an area sociological needs study, and a program proposal are required
- The site and plans must be approved in advance by the minister.
- An application for grant must be submitted in the prescribed form.
- A request for payment must be accompanied by a certificate from a qualified architect or professional engineer certifying that:
  - the building acquired for use as a home is, in his/her opinion, a suitable building for such use, and
  - the building acquired for use as a home is ready for occupancy.
- Requests for payments prior to completion of the work must be accompanied by a certificate of the architect or professional engineer stating the progress made.

Basis of Assistance

- The minister may approve a grant of 50 per cent of the cost of establishing, renovating, furnishing, and equipping a facility.
- For homes in territorial districts, the minister may pay 100 per cent of the proportion of the capital expenditures allocated in accordance with the regulations for the unorganized areas.

References

The Homes for The Aged and Rest Homes Act; O. Reg. 439, R.R.O. 1970, as amended

Further Information

Local Long-Term Care Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

HOMES FOR THE AGED - RESIDENTIAL

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of operating and maintaining a home, calculated in the manner prescribed in the regulations, including:

- food and provisions,
- medical, nursing, dental, and paramedical services, including approved drugs and medications **not covered by the Ministry of Health,** prosthetics, and other medical supplies,
- the welfare of residents, including clothing, crafts and activities, materials and supplies, pocket money or comfort allowance, current books, newspapers, etc., recreation, and entertainment,
- funeral and burial expenses if a resident has insufficient funds put aside, and
- general operation and administration

Eligible Recipients

Municipal Homes for the Aged

Conditions and Procedures

- Applications for monthly payment of the subsidy must be made in the prescribed form.
- Applications for subsidy must be made within 3 months of the 1st day of the month for which the subsidy is requested.
- The initial salary or an increase in the salary of the administrator or supervisory staff must be approved in advance by the minister.
- The cost of maintaining a resident, or portion of such cost that the province deems the resident capable of paying, but that the resident does not pay, shall be calculated as if it had been paid.
- The prior approval of the minister must be obtained for the cost of replacing furnishings and equipment and maintaining the buildings and grounds if the cost exceeds $1,500.

Basis of Assistance

70 per cent of the difference between the amount a resident can pay and the actual per diem described above for residential care

Reference

The Homes for The Aged and Rest Homes Act; O.Reg. 502, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Long-Term Care Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

HOMES FOR THE AGED - MAINTENANCE OF RESIDENTS FROM UNORGANIZED TERRITORIES

Purpose of Assistance

To reimburse the net cost of maintaining persons whose residence, before admission to the home, was in territory without municipal organization and was approved by a provincial authority

Eligible Recipients

Municipal Homes for the Aged

Conditions and Procedures

A statement of costs in the prescribed form is required.

Basis of Assistance

100 per cent of net cost (number of resident days multiplied by the average gross daily cost of maintenance, less monthly contributions on behalf of residents from unorganized territories from a source other than the province)

Reference

The Homes for The Aged and Rest Homes Act; O.Reg. 502, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Long-Term Care Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

HOMES FOR THE AGED - RESIDENTIAL SERVICES IN SATELLITES

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of maintaining a person admissible under the satellite home provisions of the act

Eligible Recipients

Municipal Homes for the Aged

Conditions and Procedures

- Initially a municipal home setting up a satellite home with residential services must have the approval of the ministry prior to the placement of any persons.
- All satellite homes must be regularly inspected by the affiliated home for the aged.

Basis of Assistance

70 per cent of the costs incurred by the municipality, municipalities, or band, as the case may be, as approved by the director for the provision or purchase of residential services

Reference

The Homes for The Aged and Rest Homes Act; O.Reg. 502, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Long-Term Care Area Offices (see addresses at end of section)

HOMES FOR THE AGED - EXTENDED CARE SERVICE

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of extended care services for persons admitted to a home who are eligible for extended care service on the grounds of medical necessity

Homes must be approved by the director to provide extended care services. A fixed proportion of beds is allocated.

Eligible Recipients

Any municipal home approved for the purpose

Basis of Assistance

- 100 per cent of the difference between the extended care client co-payment and the extended care ceiling
- 70 per cent of the cost in excess of the extended care ceiling
- 70 per cent of the difference between the extended care client co-payment and the amount the resident is able to pay

Homes with higher than average extended care per diems are subject to the following limitation to annual increases in provincial subsidies: homes whose present year's extended care per diem costs are greater than the average extended care per diem cost for all homes during the previous calendar year are limited to an inflationary increase in the provincial subsidy as determined by the minister.

Reference

The Homes for The Aged and Rest Homes Act; Reg. 502, R.R.O. 1980, as amended.

Seniors Residential Services Manual, SR (0402-03)

Further Information

Local Long Term Care Area Offices (see addresses at end of section)

ELDERLY PERSONS CENTRES- CAPITAL GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of erecting, altering, extending, renovating, or acquiring, or of furnishing and equipping, a centre for use as a social or recreational drop-in for elderly persons, including the cost of land, furnishings, and equipment

Eligible Operators

- Municipalities

  Municipality means a city, town, village, or township, and includes an area municipality in a metropolitan, regional, or district municipality. While excluded in the Act, specific authority may be given to a metropolitan, regional, or district municipality for coverage for the purposes of the Elderly Persons Centres Act.
- Non-profit corporations may qualify conditional on a municipal grant of 20 per cent.

Conditions and Procedures

- The minister's approval of the municipal by-law, the area sociological needs study, the site plans, and the proposed programs must be obtained in advance. When the service is provided by a non-profit corporation, the minister's approval of the corporation is also required.
- An application to the minister must be in the prescribed form, accompanied by:
  - in the case of the erection, alteration, or extension of a building or premises:
    - the site plan, showing the location of the building or premises, and
    - the plans and specifications, prepared by an architect, showing the construction, equipment, and arrangements of the centre, or
  - in the case of the acquisition of a building or premises:
    - the site plan showing the location of the building or premises, and
    - a structural sketch showing the area or areas in the building or premises to be used as a centre.
- The minister's approval of the corporate or municipal by-law, site plans, and proposed program must be obtained in advance.
- An application for payment of the grant must be made in the prescribed form and be accompanied by:
  - a statement from an auditor certifying:
    - the actual cost of the building or premises to the corporation,
    - the actual amount that has been paid by the corporation as of the date of the application, and
    - that all refundable sales tax has been deducted; and
  - a certificate from the architect or professional engineer, in triplicate (Form 3, O.Reg. 235, R.R.O. 1970), certifying that the alteration, extension, or acquisition of the building or premises has been completed in accordance with the plans approved by the minister.

Basis of Assistance (Capital Funding)

Not in excess of 30 per cent of the approved costs described above, calculated in accordance with the regulations

Reference

The Elderly Persons' Centres Act; Reg. 278, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Long-Term Care Area Offices (see addresses at end of section)

ELDERLY PERSONS CENTRES - OPERATING AND SPECIAL PROGRAM GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of maintaining and operating social services or drop-in centres for elderly persons

Eligible Operators

Municipalities or charitable non-profit corporations

Municipality means a city, town, village, or township and includes an area municipality in a metropolitan, regional, or district municipality.

Provided that both the corporation operating the centre and the centre have been approved by the ministry and that the continuing program is satisfactory to the director, the ministry may make grants for maintenance and operation of the centre.

Basis of Assistance (Operating Grants)

Operating grants to centres shall be up to 50 per cent of the net monthly approved expenditures to the municipality or approved non-profit charitable corporation, determined in accordance with the regulations, to a maximum of $30,000 annually.

Municipal operators are responsible for the other 50%.

Charitable non-profit operators provide 30% of the balance with municipalities responsible for the remaining 20%.

Special Grants

Special grants are also made for programs or services for elderly persons carried out by approved corporations or municipalities.

Up to $15,000 for any one year may be paid to a municipality or an approved non-profit charitable corporation for an approved, innovative program or service for an elderly person in an approved centre.

Note:

Where non-municipal and non-profit corporations establish and operate an elderly persons centre, grants in aid of both capital and operating expenses are conditional on prior payments of at least 20 per cent from the municipality in which the centre is located, or from that municipality and one or more contiguous municipalities.

Reference

The Elderly Persons' Centres Act; O.Reg. 278, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information
Local Long-Term Care Area Offices (see addresses at end of section)

HOME SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SENIORS

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the cost of providing home support services to seniors, including meals-on-wheels, wheels-to-meals, home maintenance, transportation for shopping, medical appointments, friendly visiting, security checks, and referral

Eligible Recipients
Elderly persons in the communities who require the service

Conditions and Procedures
Municipalities, non-profit charitable corporations, homes for the aged, elderly persons centres, or Indian bands may apply for a subsidy allocation for the coming fiscal year to the ministry's area manager, who reviews the request and may approve a subsidy allocation.

Basis of Assistance
70 per cent of approved total operating expenditures to a maximum of the allocation approved by the area manager for each fiscal year

Reference
The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act

Further Information
Local Long-Term Care Area Offices (see addresses at end of section)

DAY AND RESPITE PROGRAMS FOR ALZHEIMER'S (HOME SUPPORT)

Purpose of Assistance
Funding under Home Support Services, has been augmented by funding under the Alzheimer Community Program (available since 1986) to allow for the development of specialized Day Programs and the integration of persons with dementia into new and established Day Programs.

Community-based Respite Programs provide caregivers with frequent short-term relief on a regular or emergency basis, while allowing the elderly person to remain in the home environment.

Eligible Operators
Municipalities
Charitable not-for-profit corporations, the majority being multi-service agencies.

Eligible Recipients
Frail elderly and/or cognitively impaired persons and their caregivers in the communities who require the service

Conditions and Procedures
Municipalities, non-profit charitable corporations, homes for the aged, elderly persons centres, or Indian bands may apply for a subsidy allocation for the coming fiscal year to the local area office, which reviews the request and may approve a provincial subsidy.

Basis of Assistance
The Alzheimer Community Program can provide up to 100 per cent funding for approved operating costs.
Discretionary capital funding can be requested for renovations, furniture, equipment, safety devices, vehicles.

Reference
The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act

Further Information
Local Long-Term Care Area offices (see addresses at end of section).

COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL ALTERNATIVES - CAPITAL

Purpose of Assistance
The Community Residential Alternative initiative, funded under the Capital Development Plan, began in 1989. The program broadens the range of services that homes for the aged and other non-profit organizations provide to frail elderly people who require a daily regimen of social supports and professional visitation services in a residential setting as an alternative to facility admission.
Ministry funding assists the Ministry of Housing with the cost of erecting, altering, extending, renovating, or acquiring, or of furnishing and equipping, program/amenity space in

social housing projects for use as a supported living environment for frail elderly tenants.

To the extent that program/amenity space affects the cost of the housing project, the ministry will share in the cost of land, furnishings, and equipment.

Eligible Operators

Municipalities or charitable non-profit corporations operating homes for the aged

Municipality means a city, town, village or township and includes an area municipality in a metropolitan, regional, or district municipality.

Coupled with funding for capital redevelopment, homes undergoing upgrading and downsizing may sponsor a residential alternative to enable relocation or to divert admission of residents.

Conditions and Procedures

Ministry approval in principle for operational expenditures must precede the negotiation of capital funding.

Basis of Assistance (Capital Funding)

The province proposes to share up to 80 per cent of approved capital costs for construction, acquisition, or retrofit of existing buildings and program related capital costs. The average provincial subsidy limit is 80 per cent of $5,000 per Community Residential Alternative unit.

Reference

Ministry of Community and Social Services Act

Implementation Guidelines for Community Residential Alternatives, December 19, 1989.

Revisions to the Community Residential Alternatives Implementation Guidelines, July, 1991.

Further Information

Local Long-Term Care Area offices (see addresses at end of section).

COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL ALTERNATIVES OPERATING -

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of providing individualized and co-ordinated services such as meals, housekeeping assistance, security checks, transportation, shopping assistance, and social and recreational programs to tenants of Community Residential Alternatives (C.R.A.) projects.

Eligible Operators

Municipalities or charitable non-profit corporations sponsoring C.R.A. projects.

Conditions and Procedures

Ministry approval in principle for operational expenditures must precede the negotiation of capital funding.

Clients are expected to contribute to the cost of the services they receive.

Basis of Assistance (Operating Funding)

The ministry's contribution to operating costs will be the lesser of 70 per cent of approved costs or the difference between approved program costs and contributions from participants and other sources.

Reference

The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act

Implementation Guidelines for Community Residential Alternatives, December 19, 1989.

Revisions to the Community Residential Alternatives Implementation Guidelines, July, 1991.

Further Information

Local Long-Term Care Area offices (see addresses at end of section).

WORK ACTIVITY PROJECTS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of operating work activity projects to prepare for entry or return to employment persons who by reason of personal, family, or environmental circumstances have difficulty in obtaining or holding down steady employment

Eligible Recipients

Cities

Towns

Villages

Townships

Improvement Districts

Regional Municipalities

Counties which, with the approval of the minister, administer welfare assistance

District Welfare Administration Boards

Approved Indian Bands

Conditions and Procedures

- The project must be approved in advance by the federal government for federal cost-sharing under Part 111 of the Canada Assistance Plan.
- The welfare administrator must complete an application (Form 10 under the Regulations) for monthly payment of the cost of administration as defined in sections 1(s), 17(1), and 21(4) of the Regulations. The application must be sent to the minister before the 20th day of the month following the month in which the administration costs were paid.

Basis of Assistance

80 per cent of the costs of administering and operating the work activity project as defined in the regulations

References

The General Welfare Assistance Act; Reg. 441, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

The District Welfare Administration Boards Act; Reg. 243, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

PURCHASED COUNSELLING SERVICES

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of providing direct counselling services to needs-tested persons

Eligible Recipients

See list of eligible recipients in Section 25, Work Activity Projects.

Conditions and Procedures

- The municipal welfare administrator contracts with a service provider for a specific number of units of service.
- The service provider must be approved by the ministry's area manager for costing, service content, and agency.
- The administrator must complete a statement of account and forward it to the area manager by the 20th day of the following month.

Basis of Assistance

80 per cent of the approved cost, and 50 per cent where the service is provided directly by the municipality

Reference

The General Welfare Assistance Act; O.Reg. 441, R.R.O. 1980, as amended

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the administrative and organizational costs of maintaining and operating local informal support services such as drop-in centres, home support, case management, and parent education

Eligible Recipients

Community Organizations

Conditions and Procedures

Community organizations apply to the ministry's area manager for funding. The application must be considered in conjunction with the local municipality and/or a charitable organization.

Basis of Assistance

Core funding of 50 per cent of the first $39,700 (1992/93 ceiling), with municipalities and/or charitable organizations covering the balance

Reference

The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act

Further Information

Local Area Office (see addresses at end of section)

REGIONAL AND LOCAL AREA OFFICES

Region	Location	Address	Telephone	Districts, Counties and Regional Municipalities served by Area Offices
Central	**Regional Office** Toronto	2195 Yonge Street 10th Floor M7A 1G2	(416) 325-9747	
	Area Offices Toronto	2195 Yonge Street 8th Floor M7A 1G2	(416) 325-0500	Toronto
	Barrie	34 Simcoe Street P.O. Box 910 L4M 4Y6	(705) 737-1311	Simcoe and York
	Mississauga	1140 Burnhamthorpe Rd. W. Ste. 212 L5C 4E9	(416) 897-3100	Dufferin, Halton and Peel
North	**Regional Office** Sault Ste. Marie	473 Queen St. E. 2nd Floor P6A 1Z5	(705) 949-8052	
	Area Offices Sudbury	10 Elm Street 3rd Floor P3C 5N3	(705) 675-4515	Algoma, Manitoulin, Muskoka Nipissing, Parry Sound and Sudbury
	Thunder Bay	710 Victoria Avenue E. Suite 301 P7C 5P7	(807) 622-2272	Kenora, Rainy River and Thunder Bay
	North Bay	621 Main St. W. P1B 2V6	(705) 474-3540	Muskoka, Nipissing and Parry Sound
Southeast	**Regional Office** Kingston	336 Alfred Street Ground Floor K7L 3S5	(613) 548-6760	
	Area Offices Kingston	1055 Princess Street Ontario Govt. Building Suite 103 K7L 5T3	(613) 545-0539	Frontenac, Hastings, Lanark Lennox & Addington, Prince Edward, and Leeds & Grenville
	Ottawa	10 Rideau Street 7th Floor K1N 9J1	(613) 234-1188	Ottawa-Carleton, Prescott & Russell, Renfrew and Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry
	Peterborough	178 Charlotte St. K9J 2T8	(705) 742-9292 Adult Programs (705) 743-1624 Children's Programs	Durham, Haliburton, Northumberland, Peterborough and Victoria
Southwest	**Regional Office** London	195 Dufferin Avenue IBM Building 5th Floor N6A 1K7	(519) 438-8344	
	Area Offices Hamilton	119 King Street West P.O. Box 2112 L8N 3Z9	(416) 521-7280	Brant, Halton, Hamilton-Wentworth and Niagara
	London	Box 5217, 2 East 217 York St. N6A 5R1	(519) 438-5111	Elgin, Haldimand-Norfolk, Huron, Middlesex, Oxford and Perth
	Waterloo	75 King Street S. Waterloo Square 5th Floor N2J 1P2	(519) 886-4700	Bruce, Dufferin, Grey, Wellington and Waterloo
	Windsor	250 Windsor Avenue Ontario Gov't. Building 1st Floor N9A 6V9	(519) 254-1651	Essex, Kent and Lambton

LOCAL LONG-TERM CARE AREA OFFICES

Region	Location	Address	Telephone	Districts, Counties and Regional Municipalities served by Area Offices
Central	Toronto	2161 Yonge St. 2nd Floor M4S 3A6	(416) 327-8952	East York, North York York, Etobicoke, Scarborough, Toronto
	Barrie	11 Victoria St. Suite 200 L4N 6T3	(705) 739-6470 1-800-463-0102	Simcoe and York
	Mississauga	4 Robert Speck Parkway 3rd Floor L4Z 1S1	(416) 279-4929 1-800-565-4213	Halton and Peel
North	Sudbury	200 Brady Street 6th Floor P3E 5C3	(705) 688-3130 1-800-663-6965	Algoma, Manitoulin and Sudbury
	Thunder Bay	180 Park Avenue 2nd Floor P7C 6J4	(807) 475-1591 1-800-465-5961	Kenora, Rainy River and Thunder Bay
	North Bay	176 Main St. W. 2nd Floor P1B 2T6	(705) 494-4024 1-800-363-8157	Muskoka, Nipissing, Parry Sound, Cochrane, and Timiskaming
Southeast	Kingston	859-861 Princess Street Ground Floor K7K 1G7	(613) 531-9629 1-800-667-1062	Frontenac, Hastings, Lanark, Lennox & Addington, Prince Edward and Leeds & Grenville
	Ottawa	47 Clarence St. 3rd Floor K1N 9K1	(613) 238-4263 1-800-668-1697	Ottawa-Carleton, Prescott & Russell, Renfrew and Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry
	Peterborough	Regency Square 150 King Street 3rd Floor K9J 2R9	(705) 741-5634 1-800-567-1045	Durham, Haliburton, Northumberland, Peterborough
Southwest	London	229 Dundas St. 2nd Floor N6A 1H1	(519) 675-7680 1-800-663-3775	Elgin, Huron, Middlesex Oxford, Perth
	Hamilton	119 King St. 10th Floor L8N 3Z9	(416) 546-8294 1-800-461-7137	Brant, Halton, Hamilton-Wentworth and Niagara
	St. Catharines	1 St. Paul St. Ste. 203, Phase 1 L2R 7L2	(416) 988-5788 1-800-567-0251	Niagara, Haldimand-Norfolk
	Waterloo	470 Weber St. N. 2nd Floor N2L 4E7	(519) 571-0810 1-800-665-0143	Bruce, Dufferin, Grey, Wellington and Waterloo
	Windsor	215 Eugenie St. W. Suite 300 N8X 2X7	(519) 250-0788 1-800-667-5953	Essex, Kent and Lambton

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LAND TITLES SURVEY FUND

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the costs of and incidental to an application:

- to have land within a municipality registered under the Land Titles Act, or
- to have boundaries of land described in registered conveyances confirmed under the Boundaries Act

Eligible Recipients

- For an application to have land within a municipality registered under the Land Titles Act, any municipality to which the Land Titles Act applies
- For an application under the Boundaries Act, any municipality

Conditions and Procedures

- The municipality must pass a by-law authorizing an application to have land within the municipality registered under the Land Titles Act to be made to:
  - the proper land registrar, or
  - the director of land registration.
- The costs are to be borne by the municipality making the application. Where a municipality makes an application on behalf of the owners of the lands it may recover the costs by levy of a special rate of assessment on all parcels of land included in the application or in the municipality.
- The consent of the director of land registration is required before the land registrar proceeds with the application to have the land registered under the Land Titles Act.
- Applications for confirmation under the Boundaries Act are made to the director of titles.
- Applications for financial assistance are made to the director of land registration.

Basis of Assistance

Generally 25 per cent of the total costs of and incidental to the application

References

The Land Titles Act
The Boundaries Act

Further Information

Director of Land Registration
Real Property Registration Branch
Registration Division
Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations
393 University Avenue, 4th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2H6
(416) 596-3696

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GRANT-IN-LIEU OF PROPERTY TAXATION - CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Purpose of Assistance

To provide payments in lieu of real property taxes

Eligible Recipients

All municipalities

Conditions and Procedures

For a municipality to be eligible, there must be a correctional institution or jail designated by the Minister of Correctional Services situated within that municipality.

Basis of Assistance

The rate is calculated as $75 multiplied by the rated bed capacity of the institution or jail as at December 31st of the previous year.

Reference

The Municipal Act

Further Information
Director
Finance and Administrative Services Branch
Ministry of Correctional Services
200 First Avenue West
P.O. Box 4100
North Bay, Ontario. P1B 9B4
(705) 494-3103

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ONTARIO HERITAGE FOUNDATION

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HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS AWARDS PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the publication of high-quality books, monographs, pamphlets, guides, etc. relating to aspects of Ontario's heritage

Eligible Recipients
Individuals and non-profit organizations and institutions, including historical societies and museums

Conditions and Procedures
A completed application form shall be accompanied by;

- a copy of the final version of the proposed manuscript,
- estimates of production costs and sales revenue,
- information about the author and research undertaken, and
- such other information as the Ontario Heritage Foundation may require.

An award is made only when a work is judged by the Foundation to meet acceptable standards of scholarship and organization and to make a significant contribution to the study of the province's past.

Basis of Assistance
Grants to assist with production costs shall not normally exceed $8,000; further funds of $500 to $3,000 may be provided for professional editorial services. It is expected that some portion of the production costs will be obtained from local sources.

Reference
Ontario Heritage Act

Further Information
Historical Resources Unit
Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario. M5C 1J3
(416) 325-5000

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HISTORICAL RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To support high quality research projects relating to aspects of Ontario's heritage, (e.g. archaeology, history, architecture, art history, and folklore)

Eligible Recipients
Individuals, municipalities, and non-profit organizations and institutions, including historical societies and museums
Applicants must have demonstrated research abilities and proven skill in planning, implementing, and completing projects.

Conditions and Procedures
An applicant must submit, with a covering letter:

- a one-page outline of the project,
- an itemized budget,
- a resumé of the researcher or project co-ordinator, and
- two closed letters of reference for the researcher or project co-ordinator.

A grant is made on the basis of the merit/value of the project and of the skills and experience of the applicant.

Basis of Assistance
Grants shall not normally exceed $3,000.

Reference
Ontario Heritage Act

Further Information
Historical Resources Unit
Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario. M5C 1J3
(416) 325-5000

HERITAGE FESTIVAL/CONFERENCE GRANT PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with staging high quality festivals/conferences on aspects of the province's heritage

Eligible Recipients
Non-profit organizations, municipalities, and co-ordinating committees composed of representatives from several organizations

Conditions and Procedures
An application must include:

- statements of the purpose of the festival/conference and of the potential audience,
- descriptions of the proposed program, organizational structure, implementation time-frame, and promotional plans,
- an itemized budget, and
- a résumé of the co-ordinator/director.

Applicants must have demonstrated expertise in the subject area covered by the festival/conference and proven skill in planning, implementing, and completing projects. Festivals/conferences must be widely advertised as open to the general public. A grant is made only when a festival/conference is judged by the Foundation to have met these specifications.

Basis of Assistance
Grants shall not normally exceed $10,000 and, generally speaking, most festival/conference costs are considered eligible expenses. The cost of meals which are part of the festival/conference are not eligible expenses. It is expected that a significant contribution, both in effort and in funds, will be made by the applicants and/or obtained from local sources.

Reference
Ontario Heritage Act

Further Information
Historical Resources Unit
Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario. M5C 1J3
(416) 325-5000

NATURAL HERITAGE GRANT PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the funding of research studies, public education, and stewardship initiatives and natural heritage area property acquisition projects, thereby advancing the conservation of Ontario's natural heritage.

Eligible Recipients
Only non-profit incorporated organizations are eligible.

Conditions and Procedures
Application forms are available from the Foundation and are reviewed following the June 1 and December 1 submission deadlines by the Natural Heritage Committee and considered by the board of the Ontario Heritage Foundation. Processing time is approximately 3 months.
Applicants must submit:

- a completed Application for a Natural Heritage Project Grant form,
- a project description detailing the project's goal, objectives, schedule, and duration,
- a detailed project budget,
- written notification from funding sources regarding other funding support
- supporting information including qualifications of project participants where applicable,
- letters of support or endorsement, and
- a statement describing how the project's results will contribute to the protection of Ontario's natural heritage.

Basis of Assistance
A maximum of $5,000 may be provided to a successful applicant, but there must be broad community support and significant private financial support before the Foundation will consider a project worthy of assistance.

Reference
Ontario Heritage Act

Further Information
Natural Heritage Unit
Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario. M5C 1J3
(416) 325-5000

NATURAL HERITAGE CHALLENGE PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To advance the conservation of Ontario's natural heritage by assisting organizations with the acquisition of significant, threatened properties

Eligible Recipients
Only non-profit, incorporated agencies are eligible.

Conditions and Procedures
Eligible land includes land areas identified by the Ministry of Natural Resources (ANSIs, wetlands), conservation authorities, and municipalities (ESAs). Recipients must report annually on the status the of property.

Assistance is provided only when no other protection (e.g. verbal agreement, management agreement, conservation easement etc) is feasible.

Basis of Assistance
Grants are available to a maximum of $100,000. A contribution of funds from the private sector is required on a 3:1 ratio of OHF funding to private sector funding for southern Ontario and a 4:1 ratio for northern Ontario.

Deadlines for submission are March 1, June 1, September 15, and December 1 of each year. Approvals normally occur during June, September, December and February. Processing/approval time is approximately 3 months.

Reference
Ontario Heritage Act

Further Information
Natural Heritage Unit
Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario. M5C 1J3
(416) 325-5000

NIAGARA ESCARPMENT PROGRAM PROJECTS

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with projects that promote or support preservation of the special heritage features of the Niagara Escarpment

Grant categories include communications and public education, heritage protection, and stewardship and research.

Eligible Recipients
Non-profit organizations and institutions, including municipalities, museums, historical societies, conservation authorities, and members of the Natural Heritage League

Conditions and Procedures
Projects must be located within the the Niagara Escarpment Plan Area.

Application forms are available from the Foundation. The annual deadline for applications is December 1st for review in March of the following year by the board of directors.

Basis of Assistance
Generally, grants of up to 75 per cent of eligible project costs are available, to a maximum of $25,000.

Reference
Ontario Heritage Act

Further Information
Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario. M5C 1J3
(416) 325-5000

LOCAL HERITAGE MARKERS

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the construction, erection, or alteration of local heritage markers or cairns

Eligible Recipients
Any non-profit organization that has as one of its purposes or objectives the commemoration of subjects of local heritage significance and any syndicate, partnership, joint venture, or corporation without share capital (e.g. municipal councils, chambers of commerce, etc.)

Conditions and Procedures

An application for a grant shall be made to the Ontario Heritage Foundation and shall be accompanied by a copy of the proposed inscription for the plaque, the costs of the project, and other such information as the Foundation may require.

The narrative text on the plaque should be no longer than 100 words and must acknowledge the assistance of the Foundation in the erection of the plaque.

Basis of Assistance

A grant payable by the Foundation for an approved project shall be the lesser of:

- $400, or
- 50 per cent of the approved cost of the project.

Organizations are eligible to receive only one grant per year.

Reference

Ontario Heritage Act

Further Information

Historical Resource Unit
Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide St. E.
Toronto, Ontario. M5C 1J6
(416) 325-5000

PRESERVING ONTARIO'S ARCHITECTURE

Purpose of Assistance

To support the preservation of Ontario's architectural heritage through a two-part program of:

- educational and technical support, and
- grant programs to encourage municipalities and property owners to undertake architectural conservation projects

Basis of Assistance

Educational and Technical Support

Educational and technical support is provided by ministry staff to LACAC members and municipal officials involved in administering the preservation grants, and to property owners, heritage groups, and building professionals involved in conservation projects.

Advice on designated properties is also provided to municipalities through the Technical Consulting Service, a co-operative project of the ministry and the Ontario Historical Society. The Service, which provides up to one day of a private consultant's time and is suitable for technical and conservation problems of a limited scope, is available free of charge.

Grants

- Designated Property Grants

  The program is designed to assist property owners in the conservation of properties designated under the Ontario Heritage Act. It is administered by municipalities and provides matching funding to a maximum of $3,000 per property per year. For further information contact the municipal clerk.

- Commercial Rehabilitation Grants

  Commercial Rehabilitation Grants provide funding for the conservation of privately-owned commercial and industrial buildings that have been designated by municipalities under the Ontario Heritage Act.

  To qualify for a grant, a building must have been constructed for commercial or industrial purposes or have been in such use for at least 50 years. Its proposed use must also be commercial or industrial, at least in part, or residential if the building contains three or more dwelling units.

  Grants are awarded to a maximum of 50 per cent of eligible heritage costs, and are administered by the Ministry of Culture and Communications. The maximum grant is $150,000 but projects in northern Ontario will be considered for grant awards reflecting a higher percentage of eligible costs.

- Heritage Easements:

  A grant is awarded on condition that a heritage easement be donated and held by the municipality. A heritage easement is a legal agreement registered on a property's title to protect the heritage features of the building.

- Conservation District Funds

  This program encourages the preservation of Heritage Conservation Districts (designated under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act in recognition of an area's particular architectural or historical character) by helping municipalities establish Conservation District Funds. Funding is available to a maximum of $100,000 per fund and $1 million per municipality.

Reference

The Ontario Heritage Act

Further Information
Architectural Conservation Unit
Field Services Branch
Ministry of Culture and Communications
77 Bloor Street West, 2nd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7137

COMMUNITY MUSEUMS - OPERATING

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the ongoing operational costs of community museums, including salaries, administration, maintenance, conservation research, exhibition, and interpretation of collections

Eligible Recipients
- A non-profit corporation that has its head office in the Province of Ontario
- The council of a municipality
- A public library board
- The council of an Indian band as defined in the Indian Act (Canada)
- A conservation authority established by or under the Conservation Authorities Act

Conditions and Procedures
A qualified applicant which operates a community museum that:
- is established for the purpose of acquiring, conserving, studying, interpreting, assembling, and exhibiting to the public a collection of historical artifacts,
- has a statement of purpose,
- has a written collections management policy,
- has an appointed or elected governing body that is solely responsible for the management of the museum,
- owns a catalogued collection of historical artifacts,
- has a definite site used exclusively for the operation of the museum that apportions its physical space to meet the needs of a museum as outlined in the ministry's guidelines,
- has a curator whose full-time service is devoted to the museum,
- is open to the public either 360 or more hours and 60 or more days to meet the minimum hours requirement, or 1,080 hours and at least 180 days, including a minimum of 20 days in each eight months, to meet the extended hours requirement,
- is not already funded by any other federal or provincial source, and
- has been in full operation for at least one year prior to the date of application for assistance, having satisfied other eligibility criteria given above for that year, and having supplied such information as the minister may require

may apply on the form provided by the minister before the 30th of June in any year.

Basis of Assistance
Operating grants to an eligible community museum are based on the previous year's grant and available ministry funds.

Reference
Ontario Heritage Act

Further Information
Heritage Programs
Heritage Policy Branch
Ministry of Culture and Communications
77 Bloor Street West, 2nd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7122

COMMUNITY INFORMATION CENTRES

Purpose of Assistance
The Community Information Services operating grant contributes partial funding for eligible expenses incurred to provide core CIC services.

Eligible Recipients
Incorporated non-profit organizations whose chief function is to provide community information and referral services

Conditions and Procedures
Grants are available to community information services that provide public access to general information counselling and referral services as their first priority. To be eligible, organizations must meet the standards set out in the "CIS operating grant program: Standards for funding".

To apply for funding through the CIS operating grant program, an organization should:

- assess its potential eligibility by reviewing the "CIS operating grant program: Standards for funding", and
- submit a complete application, including a grant application and the following documents:
  - financial statements projected to year-end,
  - a budget,
  - a goals statement,
  - an organizational chart,
  - an annual report, and
  - an annual statistical summary.

The application should be sent to:
Libraries and Community Information Branch
Ministry of Culture and Communications
77 Bloor Street West
3rd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9

Basis of Assistance
Grants are allocated according to ministry priorities and available funds.

Further Information
General enquiries about the CIS operating grant program should be directed to the ministry's Field Services Office (see addresses at end of section).

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARDS, MUNICIPALITIES, LOCAL SERVICE BOARDS, AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

Purpose of Assistance
To support and enhance public library service at the municipal level

Eligible Recipients

- Public library boards established under Part 1 of the Public Libraries Act
- County library boards established under Part 1 of the Public Libraries Act
- Municipal councils, local services boards, and improvement district trustees that have a contract for library services under Subsection 29(1) of the Public Libraries Act

Conditions and Procedures
The recipient must comply with all of the terms of the Public Libraries Act.

Basis of Assistance
Eligible recipients receive funding based on the number of households in the service area as of a predetermined effective date.

Reference
The Public Libraries Act; O. Reg. 100-85

Further Information
Libraries and Community Information Branch
Ministry of Culture and Communications
77 Bloor Street West
3rd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7611

FOR INDIAN BANDS

Eligible Recipients

- A public library established by the council of an Indian band with the approval of the minister
- The council of an Indian band which has a contract for library services under subsection 29(1) of the Public Libraries Act.

Conditions and Procedures
The recipient must comply with all of the terms of the Public Libraries Act

Basis of Assistance
The grant calculation is based on the registered band population as of a predetermined effective date and the per capita rate in effect at the time.

Reference
The Public Libraries Act; O. Reg. 100-85

Further Information
Libraries and Community Information Branch
Ministry of Culture and Communications
77 Bloor Street West
3rd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7611

ONTARIO LIBRARY SERVICE - NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN ONTARIO LIBRARY SERVICE

Purpose of Assistance

To enable Ontario Library Service, in consultation with municipal and county public library boards, to provide the co-ordination, development, and network services essential to the provision of basic library service

Eligible Recipients

Ontario Library Service boards established under the Public Libraries Act

Conditions and Procedures

The objectives of the Ontario Library Service are to deliver programs and services on behalf of the minister by:

- increasing co-operation and co-ordination among public library boards and other information providers in order to promote the provision of library services to the public, and
- providing public library boards with services and programs that reflect their needs, including consultation, training, and development services.

The Ontario Library Service shall transmit to the minister all reports required by the Public Libraries Act and the regulations, as requested by the minister.

Basis of Assistance

The minister may make a grant to a board of a local or county library, or of an Ontario Library Service board or an incorporated library association approved by the minister, for the purpose of developing a province-wide network of library services.

Reference

The Public Libraries Act; O. Reg. 100-85

Further Information

Libraries and Community Information Branch
Ministry of Culture and Communications
77 Bloor Street West
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7611

PROJECT GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance

Project grants support the development of the arts, assist with access to public libraries and community information centres, and promote the appreciation of historical conservation while encouraging participation in and sharing of our multicultural heritage.

Conditions and Procedures

Funding is available to non-profit community groups and service organizations that deliver services/programs of the ministry. Projects may be special in nature and should improve the organization's management and marketing skills.

Interested participants should contact the ministry's local field office (see addresses at end of section) to discuss plans for a project prior to submitting an application.

Further Information

Program criteria and application forms describing the variety of grant categories are available from the local field office. Requests for assistance in preparing an application or for information on its status should be made to the field office.

CULTURAL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To provide stability and a permanent focus for the delivery by cultural organizations of community services and programs and to fill a void in cultural programs and services through the acquisition and utilization of existing structures

The Municipal Archaeological Master Plan component of the program provides municipal planning departments with an important tool for wise archaeological resource management.

Eligible Recipients

Any municipality, local services board, Indian band council, school board, library board, conservation authority, or incorporated non-profit organization that delivers services/programs within the mandate of the ministry and that has been incorporated for at least one year prior to application

Further Information

Program criteria and application forms describing the variety of grant categories are available from the appropriate office of the ministry. Requests for assistance in preparing an application or for information on its status should be made to the local field office (see addresses at end of section).

FIELD SERVICES OFFICES

Central Region

Barrie
114 Worsley Street
Barrie, Ontario. L4M 1M1
(705) 737-0543
1-800-461-4308

Toronto
10 St. Mary Street, 2nd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-6793

Eastern Region

Belleville
280 Pinnacle Street, Suite 3
Belleville, Ontario. K8N 3B1
(613) 968-3474
1-800-267-0573

Ottawa
Rideau Trust Building
1 Nicholas Street
6th Floor, Room 612
Ottawa, Ontario. K1N 7B7
(613) 566-3728
1-800-267-1910

Northern Region

Sudbury
10 Elm Street East, 4th Floor
Sudbury, Ontario. P3C 5N3
(705) 675-4383
1-800-461-4025

Thunder Bay
Ontario Government Building
1825 Arthur Street East
Thunder Bay, Ontario. P7E 5N7
(807) 475-1348
1-800-465-6856

Timmins
22 Wilcox Street, 2nd Floor
Timmins, Ontario. P4N 3K6
(705) 267-8018
1-800-LD op.Zenith 98991

Western Region

Hamilton
119 King Street West, 8th Floor
Hamilton, Ontario. L8N 3Z9
(416) 521-7229
1-800-263-8514

Kitchener
30 Duke Street West, 4th Floor
Kitchener, Ontario. N2H 3W5
(519) 578-8200
1-800-265-2189

London
255 Dufferin Avenue, 6th Floor
London, Ontario. N6A 5K6
(519) 679-7146
1-800-263-5411

St. Catharines
15 Church Street, Suite 406
St. Catharines, Ontario. L2R 3B5
(416) 685-7397
1-800-263-5411

Windsor
Duff-Baby House
221 Mill Street
Windsor, Ontario. N9C 2R1
(519) 256-5486
1-800-265-5668

Applications from provincial organizations for projects which serve the whole province should be submitted directly to the appropriate ministry program office indicated below:

Arts Branch
77 Bloor Street West, 3rd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7650

Heritage Branch
77 Bloor Street West, 2nd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7148

Libraries and Community Information Branch
77 Bloor Street West, 3rd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7611

SECTION 7

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THE EDUCATION FUNDING MODEL

Introduction

Funding of elementary and secondary education in Ontario is a $14 billion-a-year public enterprise. It has an impact on every taxpayer in the province and the quality of education available to every pupil.

Elementary and secondary education in Ontario is the shared responsibility of the province and local school boards. The province establishes objectives, standards and guidelines through the Education Act, policy memoranda, and regulations, such as the General Legislative Grants Regulation, that determine the allocation of provincial grants for education funding. School boards determine both how education programs and services are delivered and the resources that will be required to carry out their responsibilities.

School board expenditures are funded from two sources – provincial grants and property taxes.

Grants From the Province

Grants are paid to school boards to ensure that all boards have equitable financial resources to provide a base level of education programs and services. The province also pays the employers' share of contributions to the Teachers' Pension Fund.

In 1992 the province will contribute a total of $6,346.7 million toward the funding of elementary and secondary education.

Property Taxes

The portion of school board expenditure that is not covered by provincial grants must be raised by school boards through property taxation. Property taxes are raised in respect of both recognized and unrecognized expenditures.

Recognized Expenditure

Recognized expenditures are those expenditures that are deemed necessary by the province for school boards to provide a base level of education. These recognized expenditures are funded from a combination of provincial grants and property taxes. The tax base of each board is taken into account in determining the grant so that it is possible that all boards make the same tax effort to provide the base level of education programs and services. In 1992 approximately $5,072.0 million (operating and capital) will be raised by school boards for this purpose.

Unrecognized Expenditure

School boards can raise additional property taxes to cover expenditures in excess of amounts recognized by the province. There is no grant support for unrecognized expenditure. Such additional funding is obtained 100% from local taxation.

It is estimated that in 1992 school boards will raise $2,853.4 million to cover unrecognized expenditures.

The total expenditure for education in Ontario from all sources is estimated to be $14.2 billion for 1992. Recognized expenditures amount to $11.4 billion, of which the province will contribute $6.3 billion. The remainder, or $5.1 billion, will be raised from property taxes. Based on present spending patterns, it is estimated that an additional $2.8 billion for unrecognized expenditures will be raised from property taxes.

The General Legislative Grants Regulations control the distribution of provincial grants in support of Recognized Operating and Recognized Expenditures.

The Role of the Property Tax Base

There are 172 school boards in Ontario, serving approximately 1,900,000 pupils in 4,766 schools and employing nearly 130,000 teachers. These school boards operate within a wide variety of geographic, demographic, social, and economic conditions, with a diversity of resource needs.

In addition, the school boards of Ontario have differing assessment bases from which to generate property tax revenue.

The assessment base of a school board is calculated as the value of all property in the municipality or municipalities it serves. Every property or building is assessed with a dollar value. This is its "rateable assessment." Residential properties such as homes and apartments, commercial properties such as offices and shopping malls, and industrial properties such as factories and warehouses are included, as well as farm and recreational/cottage properties.

The rateable assessment of some municipalities is at recent market value, while other municipalities have rateable assessments that are only a portion of market value. Since it is necessary in the grant mechanism to have a common measure of school board assessment wealth, the Ministry of Education calculates assessment equalization factors based on information provided by the Ministry of Revenue. These factors convert the local rateable assessment base to a common level of "equalized" assessment or adjusted market value.

As Diagram 1 indicates, there are large differences in the size of the assessment base available to each school board. For 1992 the total equalized assessment value of all property in Ontario is estimated to be about $425 billion. However, this wealth is not distributed evenly throughout the province. Some communities have high-value residential properties or large commercial or industrial complexes that contribute more to the total wealth in the community. School boards in such communities have access to a larger amount of tax revenue from the property tax base.

Diagram 1 shows the range of equalized assessment wealth per pupil in 1992 among all the school boards in Ontario.

As shown at the top of the graph, board X has an equalized assessment of $844,563 per pupil from which to raise revenues. Board Y has an equalized assessment base of only $67,746 per pupil from which to raise funds. Board X has access to almost 12.5 times the tax base per pupil available to board Y.

The Role Of Provincial Grants

The provincial funding mechanism for elementary and secondary education is embodied in a set of legal documents known as the General Legislative Grants (GLG) regulations. Through a combination of operating and capital grants, the GLG regulation attempts to mitigate inequities in financial resources among school boards across the province. These grants are sometimes called "equalization grants" since they attempt to equalize the financial resources among school boards by taking into account the size of the local tax base (ie, resources available) and the resources required by a school board to provide the base level of education service.

Two principles guide the determination of the provincial grant:

- All school boards must have equitable financial resources to provide a base level of education programs and services.
- All school boards must make the same tax effort to raise the local share of the costs of providing the base level of education programs and services.

The funding mechanism is explained in more detail in the section on the Basic Per Pupil Grant.

Structure of the Education Funding Model

The Education Funding Model can be divided into five major categories. Each category contains a group of grants that share similar characteristics or objectives. The five categories are described in the following sections.

The five categories of the Education Funding Model are:

Category 1 Basic Per Pupil Grant

Category 2 Board-Specific Grants

Category 3 Program-Specific Grants

Category 4 Capital Grants

Category 5 Additional Provincial Support for Education.

Category 1

Basic Per Pupil Grant

The Basic Per Pupil Grant is an equalization payment made by the province to a school board. It reflects the difference between the amount deemed necessary by the province for a school board to provide the base level of education and the amount raised from property taxes.

The Basic Per Pupil Grant is determined using the process described below.

This calculation requires accurate information on two key variables:

- Average Daily Enrolment (ADE), which is the measure of the number of pupils enrolled in each school board. The

DIAGRAM 1

COMPARISON OF SCHOOL BOARD WEALTH

(Based on equalized assessment per pupil-$000's)

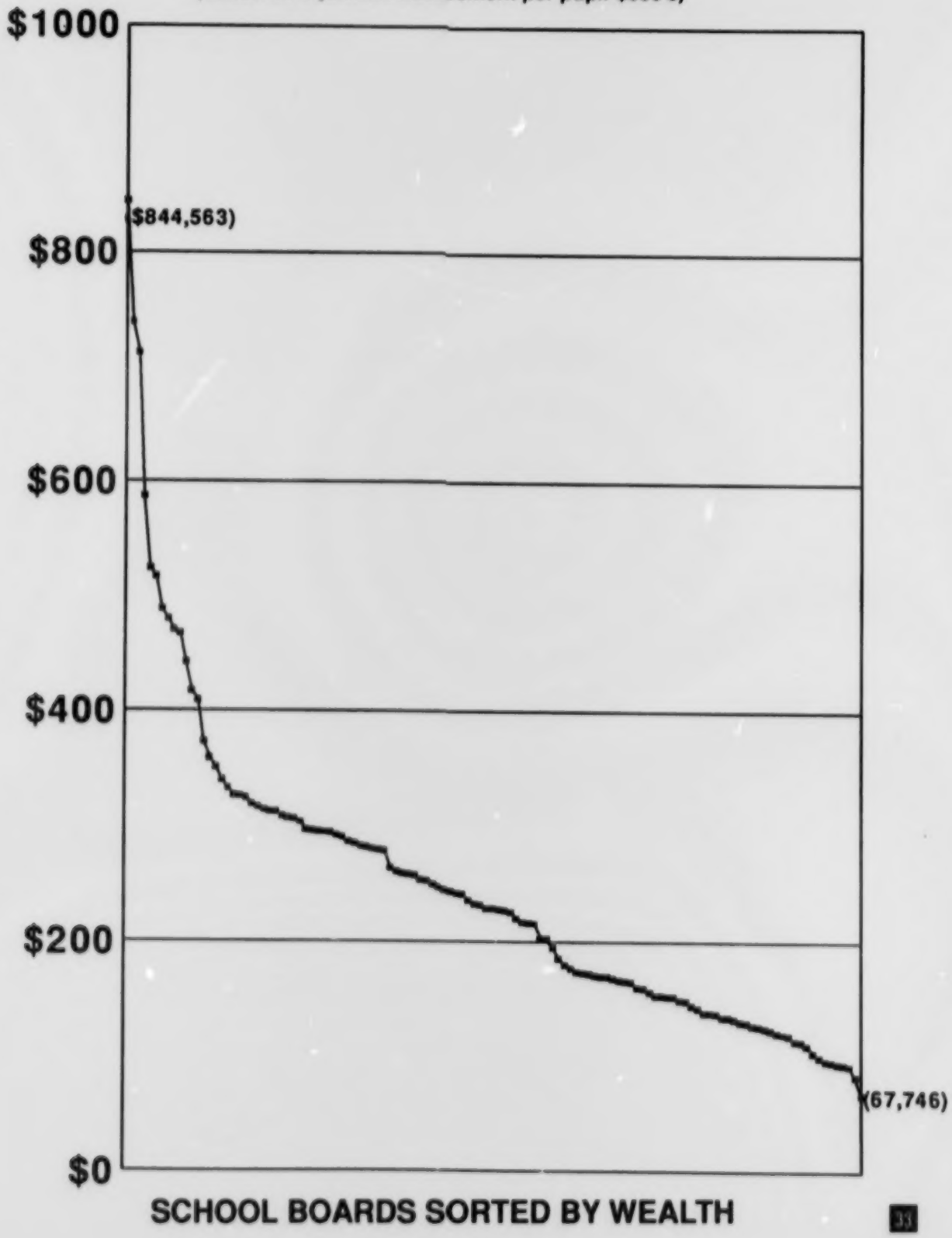


DIAGRAM 2

CALCULATION OF THE BASIC PER PUPIL GRANT

	Board A	Board B	Board C
1. Recognized Ordinary Expenditure per pupil	$4,000	$4,000	$4,000
2. Average Daily Enrolment	1,000	2,000	2,000
3. Total Recognized Ordinary Expenditure (1 x 2)	$4,000,000	$8,000,000	$8,000,000
4. Provincial Standard Mill Rate	5 mills	5 mills	5 mills
5. Board's Equalized Assessment	$200,000,000	$200,000,000	$1,000,000,000
6. Yield from Provincial Standard Mill Rate Applied to Board's Equalized Assessment (4 x 5)	$1,000,000	$1,000,000	$5,000,000
7. Provincial Grant (3 - 6)	$3,000,000	$7,000,000	$3,000,000

ADE multiplied by the provincially established basic per pupil amount equals the Recognized Ordinary Expenditure of the school board.

- The value of the equalized assessment of all property in each community served by the school board. This value determines the amount of money that the board can raise from local property taxes.

Recognized Ordinary Expenditure

The province recognizes that a base level of funding per pupil is required by all school boards to meet their obligations under the Education Act. The province determines a fixed dollar amount per pupil as a standard for all school boards in Ontario. This is known as the Recognized Ordinary Expenditure Per Pupil (or grant ceiling).

For 1992, the per pupil amounts are $3,954 for each elementary pupil and $4,886 for each secondary pupil.

Standard Mill Rate

Each school board is required to contribute its share toward the Recognized Ordinary Expenditure. It does this by raising tax revenues from local sources at a uniform rate applied to its equalized assessment. This uniform rate is called the provincial standard mill rate, and is set each year by the province through calculations of the present funding formula.

One mill represents $1 of taxes per $1,000 of property assessment. Where a rate is 5 mills, this means that for every $1,000 of property value the owner will pay $5 in taxes. For a property assessed at $100,000, the property owner will pay $500 in taxes.

Provincial Grant

Once the school board's share of costs has been determined, the provincial grant can be calculated. The grant is the difference between the Recognized Ordinary Expenditure for the school board and the amount the local school board is able to raise by applying the provincial standard mill rate to its equalized assessment base.

Diagram 2 shows how the provincial grant would be determined for three hypothetical school boards with differing enrolments and property assessment bases. The principle of equity is upheld and built into the calculation with the use of:

- the Recognized Ordinary Expenditure Per Pupil, and
- the provincial standard mill rate,

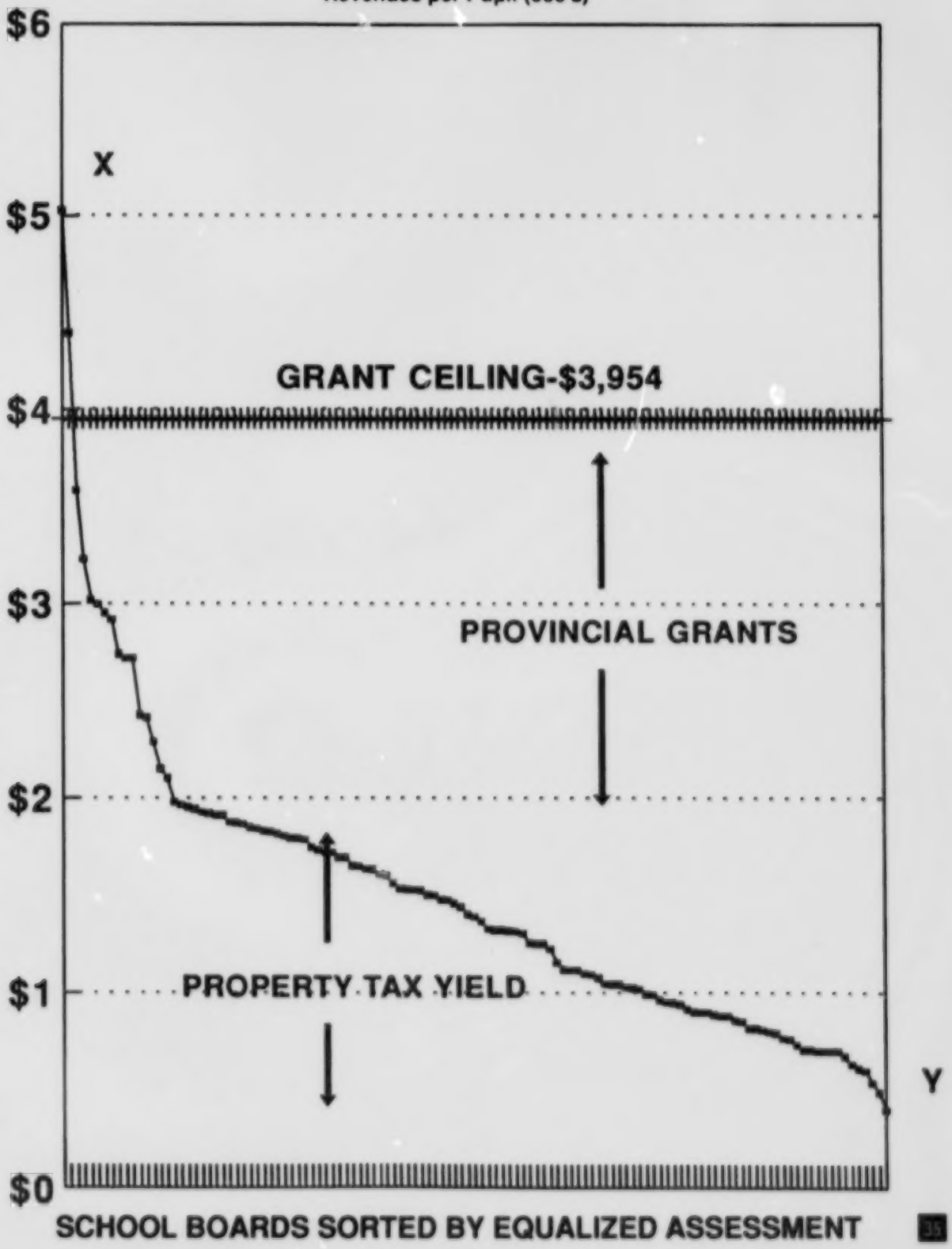
both of which are the same for every school board in the province.

As shown, each school board needs equal financial resources ($4,000 per pupil) to provide a base level of education and each ratepayer is asked to bear an equal burden (5 mills or $5 for each $1,000 of property assessment).

The table also shows how school boards with the same assessment base (A and B), but different student enrolments, receive different grants. In this case, school board B has twice the number of pupils to educate with the same assessment base as school board A (ie, $200

DIAGRAM 3

HOW THE GRANT MODEL WORKS



million). The calculation shows that board B is provided with a larger grant from the province.

School board C, with an equalized assessment base of $1 billion, is able to raise $5 million from local taxes. Although it has responsibility for the same number of students as school board B, it receives a much smaller provincial grant.

In each case the provincial grant ensures that the basic resource of $4,000 per pupil is available to the board using the same tax effort.

The principles behind this calculation are equality of resources for all school boards and equality of tax burden for all ratepayers.

Diagram 3, How the Grant System Works, shows the effect of the provincial grant on the school board's available funding base, as described in Diagram 1.

By applying a provincial standard mill rate (of 5.955) to its equalized assessment of $844,563 per pupil, board X can raise $5,029 per pupil. By comparison, board Y, with an equalized assessment base of $67,746 per pupil, can raise only $403 per pupil.

Board X does not qualify for a grant, since, by applying the above method it is able to raise more money from local taxes than the recognized expenditures. This is commonly referred to as a negative grant. Board Y would qualify for a grant of $3,551 per pupil. This approach provides each board with a Recognized Ordinary Expenditure per elementary pupil of $3,954.

It should be noted that a negative grant situation in Category 1 can be offset by grants in Categories 2, 3 and 4.

For 1992 the base level of funding per pupil includes specific amounts for the following items:

1.1 Support for Special Education Programs

Additional funding is provided for Special Education Programs for exceptional pupils. Exceptional pupils are defined as pupils having behavioral, communication, intellectual, physical, or multiple exceptionalities.

In 1989 the Special Education Grant and the grant for programs for trainable retarded pupils were incorporated into the basic per pupil amount. This reflects the province's view that the provision of Special Education Programs for exceptional pupils is part of the basic responsibility of school boards.

In 1992 the Special Education portion of the basic per pupil amount is $283 per elementary pupil and $210 per secondary pupil.

1.2 Support For Pooling

In 1989 the government announced its commitment to share revenue from the commercial assessment base more equitably between public and separate school boards within the same jurisdiction.

This coterminous sharing or pooling of the commercial assessment base is being phased in over six years. To address any possible loss in public school board revenues that may result from pooling, $180 million in increased grants has been committed over the six-year period. This money, distributed on a per pupil basis, is incorporated into the basic per pupil amount. In 1991 this base level of funding was increased by $16 for every pupil. As part of the third year of the phase-in, a further increase of $16 will be included in the 1992 per pupil amounts. As a result, in 1992 $48 per pupil will be incorporated into the basic per pupil amount as support for the pooling initiative.

Diagram 4, the Basic Per Pupil Amount, illustrates the composition of the elementary and secondary basic per pupil amounts recognized for grant purposes.

DIAGRAM 4

CATEGORY #1
BASIC PER PUPIL GRANT

$ 3,232.8 M

	Elementary	Secondary
Pooling	$ 48.00	$ 48.00
Support for Special Education	283.00	210.00
Base Amount	3,623.00	4,628.00
Total	**$3,954.00**	**$4,886.00**

diagram not to scale

Category 2

Board-Specific Grants

The government recognizes that the cost of providing the base level of education programs and services varies with geographic, demographic, and socio-economic conditions across Ontario.

Board-specific grants provide funding at 100 per cent of the recognized costs to compensate school boards for conditions such as distance from sources of goods and services, small classes, small schools and small boards, and needs created by unique socio-economic conditions of the population served. School boards are not required to provide a local share for this category of grants because these costs arise from conditions beyond the local board's control. Provincial funds given in recognition of these additional costs are aimed at equity – to assist school boards in providing the base level of educational services they might otherwise not be able to provide without placing an additional financial burden on their taxpayers.

The following outlines the grants in this category for 1992:

2.1 French-as-a-First Language Grant ($30.6 Million)

Under the Education Act a school board must provide instruction in the French language to any pupil who meets the definition of a French-speaking person.

The grant recognizes the higher instructional, material, and administrative costs school boards incur in providing this program.

2.2 Small Schools Grant ($27.6 Million)

In accordance with the ministry's policy of equality of educational opportunity, all pupils must have access to an adequate range of programs to complete their education. To offset the higher per pupil cost of these programs in small schools the province provides additional financial assistance in the form of a Small Schools Grant.

Small schools generally exist in areas of sparse population. Small elementary schools are defined as having 200 or fewer students and are located eight or more kilometres from another school of the same language of instruction. Small secondary schools are defined as having 600 or fewer students and are located 32 or more kilometres from another school of the same language of instruction.

2.3 Small Boards Grant ($21.1 Million)

Small school boards are defined as boards with an elementary or secondary enrolment of 5,000 pupils or fewer.

They incur many of the same basic overhead costs as larger boards in the province but, because of low enrolment, costs per pupil for administration and educational services are greater than for the larger boards. The Small Boards Grant provides additional financial support to such boards to offset those additional costs.

2.4 Small Sections Grant ($2.7 Million)

All boards with an English-language section and a French-language section, where one or both of the sections have fewer than 500 pupils, receive this grant. It assists boards in providing administrative, consultative, and supervisory services where pupil enrolment is low.

2.5 Goods and Services Grant ($44.4 Million)

This grant acknowledges the higher cost of purchasing goods and obtaining services for boards that are distant from major urban centres and/or whose schools are distant from each other.

The Goods and Services Grant was restructured in 1991 to recognize differences in costs among school boards. The calculation of this grant now takes into account:

- the distance of a board from one of five defined cities (Toronto, Ottawa, Hamilton, London or Windsor) as a measure of its accessibility to goods and services,
- the existence of a city or town with a population of over 25,000 within a board's jurisdiction, another measure of its accessibility to goods and services,
- the sparsity of the pupil population, to reflect the higher costs of moving goods and services within a board.

The changes to the Goods and Services Grant were implemented in September 1991 and were phased in to ensure that no board experienced an increase or decrease in this grant of more than 10 per cent in any one year.

2.6 Compensatory Education Grant ($88.2 Million)

Some school boards, because of local conditions, have large numbers of students who are economically or socially disadvantaged and therefore at risk of academic failure and dropout. Compensatory Education programs are aimed at addressing the needs of such students. Financial assistance is provided to these school boards to offset the additional costs of these programs.

2.7 Declining Enrolment Grant ($12.8 Million)

The Ministry of Education recognizes that a school board may not be able to reduce its operating costs in any given year in direct proportion to a reduction in its enrolment.

The Declining Enrolment Grant provides financial assistance for a period of two years, during which the board may reduce its operating expenses.

DIAGRAM 5

CATEGORY #2
BOARD - SPECIFIC GRANTS

$ 227.4 M

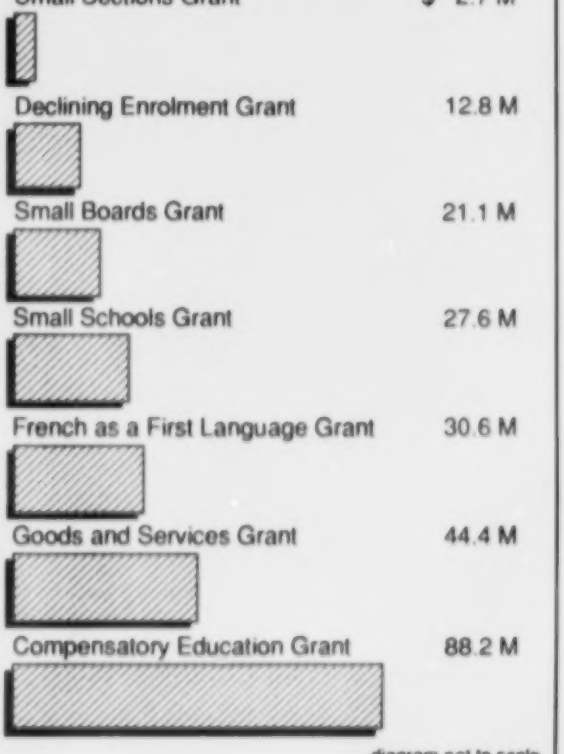


Diagram 5, Board-Specific Grants, outlines the components and funds allocated through this group of grants.

Category 3
Program-Specific Grants

Program-Specific Grants are provided to school boards to encourage them both to extend education programs and services into areas that respond to local needs and to meet provincial priorities. They are provided to school boards based on the extent to which the board participates in the program.

Category 3 grants can be grouped into four sub-categories, as outlined below:

3.1 Language Grants

French-as-a-Second-Language Grant ($142.2 Million)

This grant provides for the additional costs of offering core French extended and immersion programs. The grant is based on the number of pupils enrolled in these courses and varies with the length of the program, ranging from 20 minutes per day to full immersion.

Native-as-a-Second-Language Grant ($0.8 Million)

This grant assists school boards that wish to provide native language courses in addition to, or as a substitute for, French as a Second Language. The grant is based on the number of pupils enrolled in 20-minute or 40-minute programs.

To assist school boards to initiate this program, the ministry provides a start-up grant of $200 per pupil enrolled for the first five years of the program.

Additional Language Instruction Grant ($103.3 Million)

This grant is offered to school boards that provide language instruction in regular day school programs for pupils whose first language is neither English nor French. Such ESL programs in English language schools and français programs in French language schools provide pupils with an opportunity to participate in regular instruction classes as soon as possible. The grant is based on the number of teachers employed by the school board for such programs.

Additional grants are made available to school boards for the provision of ESL/français programs for adults whose first language is neither English nor French as a part of the funding of Continuing Education.

Mixed-Language Secondary Schools Grant ($1.3 Million)

This grant encourages boards to provide a wider range of courses and services in the minority language (either English or French) of a mixed-language school.

3.2 Initiative Grants

Grant For Full-Day Kindergarten ($7.5 Million)

The province provides financial assistance to school boards for the operation of full-day kindergarten programs. The funds recognize the cost of providing the additional half-day of a full-day program. School boards are required to contribute a local share of these costs.

Grant for Reduction of Class Size in Grades 1 and 2 ($181.1 Million)

In line with the government's policy of excellence in education, the province provides financial assistance to school boards to reduce class sizes in grades 1 and 2 to an average of 20 pupils per teacher.

The grant is funded at 100 per cent and is intended to offset the average salary and benefits costs of the additional

teachers employed by a board to meet this objective.

Schools that do not reach the objective of 20 pupils per teacher receive a proportionately reduced grant.

Grant for the Purchase of Textbooks ($18.8 Million)

Funds are provided, with a local share component, for the purchase of textbooks.

3.3 Special Grants

Recognized Extraordinary Expenditure Grants ($86.4 Million)

This grant assists school boards with costs such as purchase of computer hardware, and capital expenditure exclusive of expenditure on direct capital projects. A local share is required, with a higher grant being provided to school boards with relatively modest local tax bases.

For 1992 the grant for the provision of pupil transportation has not been included with the other REE grants. A separate transportation grant has been established to help school boards with the provision of pupil transportation.

Transportation Grant ($422.3 Million)

The Transportation Grant provides financial assistance to school boards to recognize the costs of transporting pupils from home to school or from school to school. The decision regarding the provision of transportation rests with the school board.

In July of 1991 the Transportation Grant was revised to encourage efficiencies in school board transportation practice.

A board's grant for transportation is based on:

- The need for transportation within a board, as determined by the density of its pupil population: the less densely populated an area, the greater the need for pupil transportation and the greater the grant. A grant of 100 per cent of the amount calculated on the basis of pupil density is paid to the board.
- Additional transportation expenditures incurred by the board in excess of the above amount are also recognized for grant purposes. However, school boards are required to provide a local share of this additional amount. The grant paid to the boards is the difference between the amount raised locally and the total amount recognized for grant.

Technological Education Grant ($2.0 Million)

This grant recognizes the higher costs per pupil of providing technical and vocational programs. It is allocated to school boards providing a large number of these courses where, because of smaller class sizes and individualized pupil requirements, there are higher costs.

Grant for Programs in Lieu of Provincial Services for Blind/Deaf Pupils ($17.4 Million)

This funding is provided where a school board offers an approved Special Education program for blind, deaf, and blind/deaf pupils who might otherwise attend a Provincial School for blind and deaf pupils. Grants are provided for salaries and benefits for specialist teachers and teacher-aides.

An additional grant is paid to school boards to assist them in providing Braille transcription services at the elementary and secondary level. A grant is also paid for oral and manual interpreters at the secondary level. The grant for interpreter services will be extended to the elementary level in September 1994. School boards are required to contribute a local share of the costs of providing these services.

Grant for Education Programs in Care, Treatment and Correctional Facilities ($59.8 Million)

A school board may provide educational programs for school-age pupils who cannot attend a local school because they are placed in a care, treatment, or correctional facility. The province pays the school board 100 per cent of the cost of salaries and benefits for teachers and teacher-aides involved in such programs.

Grant for Continuing Education, Secondary Summer School and Driver Education ($119.2 Million)

This 100 per cent grant supports the government's commitment to continuing education — adult basic education (including ESL/français/NSL, literacy and numeracy, and citizenship programs), continuing education credit courses, including summer school, and driver education.

Heritage Language Grant ($14.7 Million)

A grant is provided to school boards offering approved classes for heritage language instruction in a language other than English or French. The grant is based on a dollar amount per hour of classroom instruction.

Grant for the Cost of Education for Non-Resident Pupils ($61.4 Million)

The province reimburses school boards for the cost of educating pupils enrolled in their schools but residing in areas outside the jurisdiction of any board, or in institutions and group homes, or who are wards of Children's Aid Societies. The amount reimbursed is equal to the board's

current operating cost per pupil plus an amount for accommodation.

Grant for Open-Access Tuition Fees ($57.3 Million)

Secondary students have a right to attend the public or separate school system of their choice. In situations where their parents' taxes go to another school board, the board supplying the service charges a tuition fee to recover costs from the board that receives the taxes.

Where the costs for the educating board are higher than the costs in the tax-recipient board, the province picks up the difference.

3.4 Other Grants

Assistance for En Bloc Transfers ($2.2 Million)

Where a public school board has transferred one or more secondary schools and education programs to a Roman Catholic school board, a grant is paid to the public school board for up to five years to offset any overhead costs that remain with the public board. This grant is also applicable to the English boards in Ottawa-Carleton and the Conseil des écoles séparées catholique de langue française de Prescott-Russell.

Secondary School Reorganization Grant ($0.1 Million)

This grant is paid to school boards that have re-organized a French-English, mixed-language secondary school into two separate schools, one French, the other English. It recognizes the extra costs involved in the re-organization.

Change in Tax Revenue ($8.5 Million)

The amount of assessment supporting a school board can and does change during the year, sometimes with a large impact.

In the case where a community has lost assessment because of the closure or removal of industry, an extra grant is paid to the school board partially to offset the reduction in tax revenue.

In the case where new development results in an increase in the assessment base and greater revenue to the board, this revenue is partially offset by a reduction in the grant payable to the board.

Grant for Special Assistance in Respect of Debentures ($0.4 Million)

This grant offsets the cost of debentures on secondary school buildings that are being used jointly by a public and a separate board. It also assists boards that acquired significant debenture debt before April 1980.

Special Support For Pooling ($11.7 Million)

As noted earlier, additional funds have been incorporated into the Basic Per Pupil Grant to address possible public school board losses in assessment as a result of pooling. Even with this additional support a number of public boards will experience a net loss in revenue. The Special Support for Pooling Grant provides additional funds to ensure that no public board will experience a net loss in revenue because of pooling.

Isolate Boards Grant ($31.2 Million)

Very small school boards, usually located in remote areas of Ontario, are referred to as isolate boards. Generally, their costs per pupil are very high and their tax base is very small. Their funding differs from that of other school boards in Ontario because it is based on program approval rather than the GLG formula. Their grant is the difference between approved program costs and local tax revenues.

Grant for Boards on Tax-Exempt Land ($4.9 Million)

This grant covers part of the costs of operating schools situated on tax-exempt land, including schools in sanatoriums, hospitals, crippled children's treatment centres, and centres for the treatment of cerebral palsy. Operating expenses include teachers' salaries, transportation, and the board and lodging of students.

Order-in-Council ($8.1 Million)

Undue burden grants are provided to school boards by Order-in-Council under the provisions of Ontario Regulation 275, RRO 1980. The grants are intended to cover specific, non-recurring situations that are not covered by the grant regulations and thus place an undue burden on the local ratepayers of the board.

Special interim financing is provided to the Ottawa-Carleton French Language School Board to enable the board to have the same amount of over-the-ceiling expenditure that the four Ottawa-Carleton boards had at the time the French-language board was created without placing an additional mill rate burden on the taxpayers supporting the board. The interim financing is being phased out as pooling is phased in.

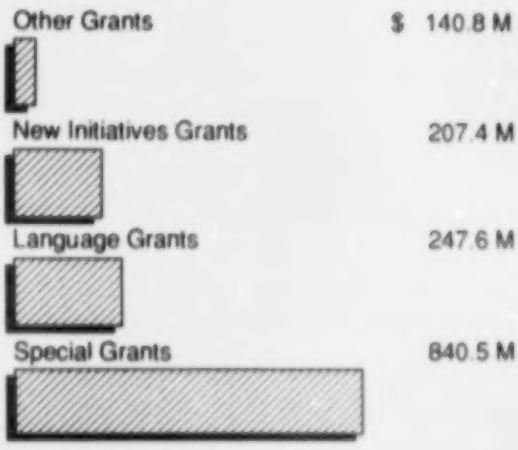
Negative Grant ($90.4 Million)

Given the present methods for calculating recognized expenditures and assessment wealth, the Metropolitan Toronto School Board calculates a "negative grant" under Category 1. In 1992, for the first time, this negative amount will be greater than the total of its grants under Categories 2, 3, and 4. Under the grant regulations, however, no board receives less than a specified portion of its grants for

programs in care, treatment, and correctional facilities and for capital projects related to the transfer of secondary school facilities to Roman Catholic Separate School Boards. The Metro Board will receive about $7.0 million in respect of these two programs. The present funding formula requires, for accounting purposes only, a total of $90.4 million to balance the negative amount under Category 1.

Diagram 6, Program-Specific Grants, shows the four major groups and funding allocated for Category 3 Grants.

DIAGRAM 6
CATEGORY #3
PROGRAM - SPECIFIC GRANTS
$ 1,436.3 M



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Category 4

Capital Funding Grants

These grants assist school boards in financing capital projects, including new schools and additions, site purchases, portables, and the replacement and renovations of schools.

4.1 Capital Grants ($332 Million)

Each year, the ministry requires all school boards to submit a five-year capital expenditure forecast that lists their capital needs in priority order. Following ministry analysis at the regional and provincial levels, a Capital Grant Program is announced by the minister. Projects are selected on the basis of greatest need, determined in accordance with the ministry's evaluation criteria.

The level of grant for a particular board depends on its ability to finance the project from its local tax base. The average provincial support rate on growth-related capital projects, including new pupil places and sites, is 60 per cent. Support for other capital projects, including the replacement and renovation of schools and the purchase of new portables, averages 75 per cent.

As part of the on-going, multi-year commitment to capital funding, school boards have been allocated $332 million in grant for 1992.

Child Care Spaces Grant

The province provides 100 per cent of recognized capital costs for constructing non-profit child care spaces in all new and replacement elementary schools. For 1992, $12.0 million has been allocated for these spaces.

Junior Kindergarten

A total of $100 million was allocated for the period 1990-1994 to provide spaces for school boards introducing junior kindergarten programs. For 1992, $20.0 million in grant has been allocated for this program.

Technological Education Capital Fund

A total of $60 million was allocated for the period 1990-1994 for the renewal of Technological Education Programs in communication, construction, manufacturing, services, and transportation. For 1992, $12.0 million in grant has been allocated for this program.

School boards must consult with key community and business partners and draft a three-year program implementation plan. Each school delivering grade 10, 11, and 12 technological studies may be eligible for funding of up to $200,000 per program.

A breakdown of Category 4 grants is presented in Diagram 7, Capital Funding Grants.

DIAGRAM 7

CATEGORY #4
CAPITAL FUNDING GRANTS

$ 332 M

Program Upgrade
(including technological education) $ 30.0 M

Renovation and Replacement 34.0 M

Site Purchase and New Pupil Places
(including child care and
junior kindergarten) 268.0 M

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Category 5
Additional Provincial Support for Education

Although this category of funding is outside the General Legislative Grants, it is included here to complete the picture of education funding and because it represents a considerable amount of provincial support for education.

This category is made up of the following payments:

5.1 Teachers' Pension Payments ($1,091.4 Million)

The province pays the employers' share of teachers' pension contributions on behalf of school boards. For 1992 this represents a payment of $655.6 million.

In 1990 the government began payments on the unfunded liability in the Teachers' Pension Fund. This important change will ensure the security and viability of the fund into the future. For 1992 this payment amounts to $265.3 million. The province will also be making a payment of about $170.5 million as a "catchup" on the unfunded liability special payment.

5.2 Education Programs Other ($26.8 Million)

This group of payments supports a wide range of programs that are funded on the basis of specific approval for each board that participates. The programs include:

Consultants: supports the hiring of consultants to help with the professional development of school staff and the implementation of the government's education initiatives.

Educational Computing Network of Ontario (ECNO): supports the development and upgrading of administrative procedures, including computer networks and information sharing among school boards.

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Diagram 8 presents a summary of Category 5, Additional Provincial Support for Education.

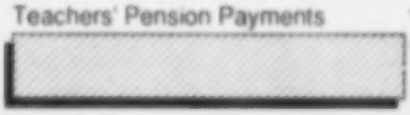
DIAGRAM 8

CATEGORY #5
ADDITIONAL PROVINCIAL SUPPORT FOR EDUCATION

$ 1,118.2 M

Education Programs Other $ 26.8 M

Teachers' Pension Payments 1,091.4 M



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Summary

This section illustrates the present funding model for education finance in Ontario.

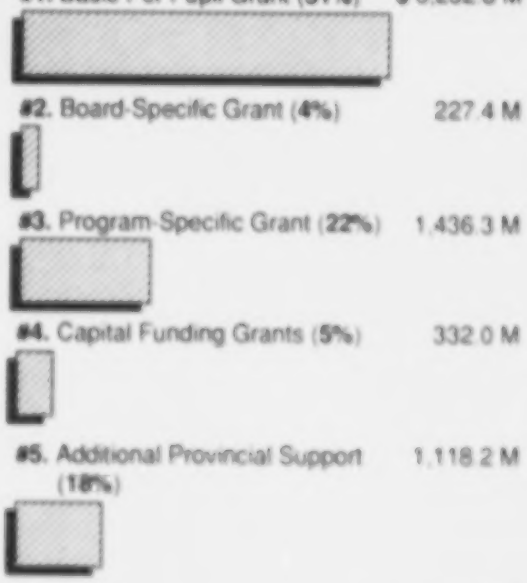
The model presents a comprehensive outline of the funding provided by the province to school boards for elementary and secondary education in Ontario. In 1992 the province's contribution to elementary and secondary education will total over $6,346.7 million.

A summary of the present Education Funding Model showing the breakdown of the five grant categories outlined in this section is presented below and in Diagram 9, the Education Funding Model, Summary of Categories 1 to 5.

DIAGRAM 9

THE EDUCATION FUNDING MODEL SUMMARY OF CATEGORIES #1 TO #5 PROVINCIAL FUNDING FOR EDUCATION IN 1992

$ 6,346.7 M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#4. Capital Funding Grants (5%) 332.0 M
#5. Additional Provincial Support (18%) 1,118.2 M

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For further information:
Education Grants Policy
School Business and Finance Branch
Ministry of Education
21st Floor, Mowat Block
Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 1L2
(416) 325-2038

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WATER AND SEWAGE WORKS

A) DIRECT GRANT PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To assist municipalities with the capital cost of municipal sewage and water capital works to address environmental problems and/or to correct health problems, and to accommodate reasonable growth.

Eligible Recipients

Ontario municipalities with projects designed to serve a defined "community", with the exception of rural pipeline extensions to serve rural areas.

Conditions and Procedures

- With the exception of grants for rural water pipelines, projects must be designed to serve a defined "community".
- Eligibility for assistance is determined on the basis of an evaluation of the need for the works in terms of correcting health and/or environmental problems and accommodating new residential growth.
- All projects may be subject to cost effective review, and grant payments will be based on the most effective, least cost alternative.
- Grants are based on a percentage of the "net" cost of a project, determined after deducting any federal or provincial government contribution.
- Ministry staff may provide project management services where a municipality lacks the necessary administrative resources or engineering expertise.
- Grant payments are normally made on the basis of a request from a municipality, indicating expenditures to date, and providing a quarterly calendar projection of anticipated expenditures. Financial assistance for the completion of preliminary engineering work may be provided, subject to ministry participation in the development of the terms of reference for the study.

Basis for Assistance

Municipalities with Population over 7,500

Grants are available to assist in the construction of major works. For sewage, major works are defined as sewage treatment facilities, trunk sewers, and associated pumping stations. Major water components include treatment facilities and trunk watermains and associated pumping stations.

Grants are available at:

- 15 per cent for projects which accommodate new growth, and
- up to 33 1/3 per cent for projects designed to correct an existing health or environmental problem.

Municipalities with Population under 7,500

In addition to grants for major works, funding is provided for local water distribution and sewage collection works. Where practical, assistance may be applied toward the cost of upgrading or repairing private water supply or sewage disposal facilities.

Grants are calculated in accordance with the following formula:

Grant (% of approved cost) = 93.00 - (P x 0.008) where P = Population (of the municipality or community as per the assessment rolls).

Maximum Grant: 85 per cent where P = 1,000 or less

Regional Municipalities - High Cost Grant

Grant assistance for specified communities in regional municipalities is available on a shared basis with the regional government.

Open Potable Water Storage Reservoirs

A grant of between 75 and 85 per cent is available for construction of covers for open ground level potable water storage reservoirs.

Where the construction of a cover for an existing reservoir is not feasible, the construction of a new covered reservoir may be eligible.

B) LIFELINES PROGRAM

Rehabilitation of Water Distribution and Sewage Collection Systems

Purpose of Assistance

Grants are available for the completion of engineering "needs studies" for water distribution or sewage collection systems and for the physical rehabilitation of such facilities as determined in the "needs study". The studies are intended to develop a long range, cost-effective program of renewal for systems that have experienced serious deterioration.

Basis of Assistance

The grant assistance for the studies is based on the municipal population, with a minimum grant of 50 per cent. Assistance for the physical rehabilitation work is provided at a level of 33 1/3 per cent.

Pollution Control Planning Studies

Purpose of Assistance

A grant of up to 85 per cent is available to assist in developing a water pollution control plan for a defined urban or rural area.

Conditions and Procedures

Such studies are expected to outline the nature, cause, and extent of pollution problems, to propose alternative remedial measures, and to recommend an implementation program.

Basis of Assistance

The minimum level of assistance is 50 per cent.

Further Information

Applications and requests for further information should be made to the nearest regional office of the ministry:

7 Overlea Boulevard
4th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4H 1A8
(416) 424-3000

P.O. Box 2112
119 King Street West
Hamilton, Ontario. L8N 3Z9
(416) 531-7640

133 Dalton Street
P.O. Box 820
Kingston, Ontario. K7L 4X6
(613) 549-4000

985 Adelaide Street South
London, Ontario. N6E 1V3
(519) 661-2200

199 Larch Street
11th Floor
Sudbury, Ontario. P3E 5P9
(705) 675-4501

P.O. Box 5000
435 James Street South
Thunder Bay, Ontario. P7C 5G6
(807) 475-1205
or
Project Engineering Branch
Ministry of the Environment
250 Davisville Avenue
5th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4S 1H2
(416) 440-3796

WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Purpose of Assistance

Under the Comprehensive Funding Program, financial assistance is provided to municipalities and to the private sector for waste management activities that include treatment and disposal facilities and initiatives for the reduction, reuse, and recycling of wastes (3Rs).

Treatment and Disposal

Waste Management Master Planning Studies

Financial assistance is available for up to 50 per cent of study costs to develop a long term waste management plan for regional municipalities, or a logical group of municipalities, that need to plan for and operate joint waste management facilities on a shared-cost basis. The plan is developed to satisfy the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act.

Financial Assistance Program

This program provides financial assistance to municipalities to implement new or to expand existing waste management facilities, such as landfill sites, transfer stations, or processing facilities. Eligible activities range from Environmental Assessment Act hearings to the capital costs of equipment, land, and structures associated with construction. Funding levels vary from 50 to 60 per cent.

Further Information

Waste Reduction Office
40 St. Clair Avenue West
7th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4V 1L5
(416) 325-4440

Waste 3R Initiatives

Municipal Reduction/Reuse Program

Grants are available for up to 50 per cent of the promotional and capital costs of projects to alter consumer waste-generating behaviour, to reduce the amount of waste requiring treatment or disposal, such as packaging, or to develop new project approaches.

Grants are available to municipalities for the purchase of backyard composting units. The ministry provides up to 2/3 of the purchase cost of the composting units.

Further Information

Waste Reduction Office
40 St. Clair Avenue West
7th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4V 1L5
(416) 325-4440

Municipal Recycling Support Program

The program provides financial and technical assistance for the development or expansion of municipal-scale recycling projects. Assistance is available for the development of promotional activities to encourage public involvement, for capital costs, and for operating costs for up to five years for qualified projects.

Funding will also be considered for up to one-third of the in-service capital cost of facilities to recover materials from mixed solid waste directed to municipal landfill and the costs of feasibility studies, design, approval, construction, and commissioning of a project.

Research, development, and demonstration projects may receive up to 100 per cent funding.

Further Information

Waste Reduction Office
40 St. Clair Avenue West
7th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4V 1L5
(416) 325-4440

Industrial Waste Diversion Program

This program is available to the industrial, commercial, and institutional (IC & I) sectors and provides financial incentives for projects designed to divert IC & I waste from disposal or incineration. Up to 50 per cent of eligible capital and equipment commissioning costs and up to 100 per cent of eligible research and demonstration costs may be funded.

No funding is available to municipalities through this program, or for the diversion of normal household waste.

Further information

Waste Management Branch
Ministry of the Environment
2 St. Clair Avenue West
14th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4V 1L5
(416) 323-5200

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program

The ministry regards the special collection and disposal of various household and personal products of a hazardous nature as prudent in the interests of ongoing environmental protection.

This program provides grants to municipalities for individual collection projects. The grants are limited to 50 per cent of the operational costs to a maximum of $15,000 per project per year.

A pamphlet and a poster that advertise the project are available free of charge.

Further information

Waste Management Branch
Ministry of the Environment
2 St. Clair Avenue West
14th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4V 1L5
(416) 323-5200

GRANTS UNDER PART VIII - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT

Purpose of Assistance

To assist municipalities and health units in administering Part VIII of the Environmental Protection Act

Part VIII requires that a Certificate of Approval and a Use Permit be obtained prior to:

- the construction or use of a sewage system, or
- the alteration, extension, construction, etc. of any building or structure with which an existing sewage system will be used if the effectiveness of the existing system will or is likely to be affected.

Eligible Recipients

Any municipality or health unit that enters into an agreement with the ministry to administer Part VIII of the Environmental Protection Act

Basis of Assistance

The assistance provided for 1992/93 is:

- For each certificate of approval
  - Small system (<4500 L/d) $ 77.00
  - Large system (>4500 L/d) 123.00
- For each lot review, subdivision plan, severance, minor variance, and on-site investigation 67.00

Further Information

Contact the nearest Ministry of the Environment regional office, whose telephone number can be obtained from the:

Public Information Centre
Ministry of the Environment
1st Floor, 135 St. Clair Avenue West
Toronto, Ontario M4V 1P5.
(416) 323-4321

ENVIRONMENTAL YOUTH CORPS '92 (EYC)

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the salaries paid to young people eligible to work for approved organizations on environmental projects

Eligible Recipients

Public sector and non-profit agencies, such as non-government organizations directly involved in environmental and resource protection and conservation and enhancement activities

Public interest and environmental advocacy groups

Local tourist associations

Aboriginal groups

School boards

Municipalities.

Conditions and Procedures

- The main goal of the program is to provide youth between the ages of 15 and 24 (29 for persons with disabilities) with meaningful work experience related to

the environment. There are five ministries involved in this process, the Ministry of the Environment and four other host ministries: the Ministry of Agriculture and Food, the Ministry of Natural Resources, the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, and the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation.

- Shorter-term projects must operate for a minimum of 8 weeks and a maximum of 18 weeks. Longer-term projects must operate for a minimum of 18 weeks to a maximum of 52 weeks between April 1, 1992 and March 31, 1993.
- Eligible organizations on the ministry's mailing list will be sent an information package containing a brochure, a project proposal form, and employer guidelines. The forms are to be completed and returned to the appropriate ministry before the deadline date set out in the guidelines.
- The ministries will rank project proposals and will allocate funds to those organizations most closely fulfilling the criteria of the program as set out in the project proposal guidelines.

Basis of Assistance

Participants will be paid as environmentalists at the current provincial minimum wage. Supervisors and technical assistants will be paid $7.00 an hour, and youth employed as technicians or co-ordinators will be paid $9.50 an hour.

Reference

Environmental Youth Corps 1992 project proposal guidelines contain all relevant information.

Further Information

Human Resources Branch
Ministry of the Environment
135 St. Clair Avenue West
4th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4V 1P5

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AMBULANCE SERVICES

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with expenditures incurred in operating ambulance services

Eligible Recipients

Municipalities, including metropolitan, regional, and district municipalities, but not area municipalities thereof

Public hospitals

Licensed private and volunteer operators

Contractors under service contract to the ministry

Conditions and Procedures

- There must be a need for ambulance services in the area of proposed operation.
- Ambulance services, once licensed or contracted by the ministry and in operation, must be available as required by the ministry.
- Services must conform to the operational policy and procedures of the ministry and the Ambulance Act and its regulations, and the terms of the contract where applicable.

An annual operating budget must be submitted to the ministry for approval in accordance with set procedures and deadlines. Amendments to an approved budget may be presented for consideration during the course of the operating year.

Within 90 days of the end of a fiscal year every ambulance operator, etc. must provide to the minister a financial statement of the ambulance operations during that year.

Basis of Assistance

Up to 100 per cent of the costs as approved by the minister

Reference

The Ambulance Act; O. Reg. 14 as amended to Regulation 600/89

Further Information
Emergency Health Services Branch
Ministry of Health
7 Overlea Boulevard
Toronto, Ontario. M4H 1A8
(416) 963-2640

BOARDS OF HEALTH

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with expenses incurred by local boards of health in providing approved public health programs in accordance with the Health Protection and Promotion Act, 1983 and its regulations, the Mandatory Health Programs and Services Guidelines, the Immunization of School Pupils Act, 1982, and identified community health needs

Eligible Recipients
Local boards of health

Conditions and Procedures
- Each board shall provide the minister or the council of a municipality such information and in such form as the minister or the council may require.
- Each board shall keep accounts of its financial affairs and prepare annual financial statements covering the preceding year's activities, as well as estimates of expenses for the next year.
- Each board must submit an annual budget to the local municipality and to the ministry, where it will be subjected to a line-by-line review.
- "New" or "expanded" program proposals are submitted to the local district health council for review, and the council's recommendations are forwarded to the ministry program area.

Basis of Assistance
- Provincial support is based on:
  - 75 per cent of the approved general expenses of a board of health, except the boards of health of Metropolitan Toronto, where the grant is 40 per cent of the expenses.

  The assistance is flowed to each board in twelve roughly equal monthly payments; necessary adjustments to the total amount flowed are made at year's end on receipt by the ministry of the required financial statement from each board and as a result of periodic audits by ministry internal audit staff.
- Separate assistance is available to boards for the following programs:
  - Home Care: 100 per cent of the costs approved by the minister,
  - Sexual Health: 100 per cent of the costs approved by the minister,
  - Sexually Transmitted Diseases Control: 100 per cent of the treatment and operational costs in health unit-based sexually transmitted diseases clinics,
  - Immunization: provision of free vaccines and biologicals,
  - AIDS control programs: 100 per cent,
  - Children's Dental Treatment Program: 100 per cent,
  - Teaching Health Units: there are eight in which the enriched teaching components are funded at 100 per cent.
- Until 1984 a board that assumed responsibility for the public health services of an unorganized territory received an unorganized territory grant that covered the full costs of the services provided. In 1984 the grant was replaced by an unorganized territory budget that is subject to line-by-line assessment in the same manner as organized territory budgets. The budget is funded at 100 per cent.
- A board that assumed responsibility for mobile dental treatment programs in underserviced areas receives a grant covering the full cost of the dental treatment services provided. The budget is funded at 100 per cent.

Reference
The Health Protection and Promotion Act and its regulations

Further Information
Public Health Branch
Ministry of Health
5th Floor, 15 Overlea Boulevard
Toronto, Ontario. M4H 1A9
(416) 327-7392

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES CLINIC

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the cost of treating, examining, supervising, and giving after-care to persons infected with sexually transmitted diseases

Eligible Recipients

Local boards of health

Hospitals (treatment drugs only)

Conditions and Procedures

- A designated sexually transmitted diseases clinic must be established and maintained.
- The director of the Public Health Branch, or designate, is to be permitted to inspect at any time the records, equipment, administration, and treatment services of a clinic.
- The local board or hospital must provide such examination, treatment, supervision, and after-care for sexually transmitted diseases as is necessary to any person who applies at the clinic.
- No charge is to be made for the services thus given.

Basis of Assistance

In some clinics physicians bill OHIP directly for services rendered.

Reference

The Health Protection and Promotion Act; O.Reg. 237/84

The Health Insurance Act

Further Information

Public Health Branch

Ministry of Health

5th Floor, 15 Overlea Boulevard

Toronto, Ontario. M4H 1A9

(416) 327-7433

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES - PHYSICIANS' ACCOUNT

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with payments to physicians for the treatment of sexually transmitted diseases in persons who are not insured under The Health Insurance Act, (R.S.O. 1990, Chapter H.6)

Eligible Recipients

Municipalities

Hospitals

Conditions and Procedures

- A physician must submit to the municipal treasurer an account of all eligible services performed by him/her under the direction of a board's medical officer of health (M.O.H.) within three months of having rendered those services.
- Each physician's statement of accounts should equal the amount that would be payable for the medical services as insured health services under The Health Insurance Act, (R.S.O. 1990, Chapter H.6).
- The cost of drugs used for treatment should also be reported.
- The treasurer must forward all such accounts to the minister within three months of receiving them.

Basis of Assistance

- 100 per cent of the amount that would be payable for the medical services as insured health services under The Health Insurance Act, (R.S.O. 1990, Chapter H.6)
- 100 per cent of the costs of approved drugs

Reference

The Health Protection and Promotion Act; O.Reg. 237/84

Further Information

Public Health Branch

Ministry of Health

5th Floor, 15 Overlea Boulevard

Toronto, Ontario. M4H 1A9

(416) 327-7433

AIDS PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with AIDS prevention, education, monitoring, controlling, and support services at the local level, based on identification of community needs

Eligible Recipients

Local boards of health

Voluntary, non-profit organizations

Conditions and Procedures

Local Boards of Health

- Each board shall provide the ministry with:
  - a program plan and budget, and
  - semi-annual financial and activity reports.

Voluntary, Non-profit Organizations

- Each organization shall:
  - submit a complete AIDS education and support services submission form to the ministry and to its local district health council for approval,
  - submit semi-annual financial and activity reports to the ministry,
  - be evaluated by ministry staff within the first 18 months of the receipt of funding.

Basis of Assistance

Local boards of health: 100 per cent

Voluntary, non-profit organizations: assistance is based on the program proposal and ministry guidelines.

Further Information

AIDS Section
Public Health Branch
Ministry of Health
5th Floor, 15 Overlea Boulevard
Toronto, Ontario. M4H 1A9
(416) 327-7433
1-800-268-6066

HOME CARE PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To support the provision of co-ordinated visiting nursing, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, medical social work, nutrition counselling, and homemaking and other support services to eligible patients in their own homes

To support the provision of health support services (nursing, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, and nutritional counselling) in school settings to ensure that all pupils with special needs receive the support services that are essential to their participation and development in school programs

To support training, supervision, and consultation for school personnel hired by school boards to provide support services

Eligible Recipients

Local boards of health

Local branches of the Victorian Order of Nurses

Local hospital boards

The Home Care Program of Metropolitan Toronto

The Health and Social Services Committee of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo

Conditions and Procedures

- A local home care program must be established and maintained in accordance with the ministry's policies and procedures.
- Local programs must submit an annual budget to the ministry for approval.

Basis of Assistance

The program is funded at 100 per cent.

Reference

Regulation 452 of Revised Regulations of Ontario, 1980, made under the Health Insurance Act

Further Information
Home Care Program
In-Home Services Branch
Ministry of Health/
Ministry of Community and
Social Services
15 Overlea Boulevard, 6th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4H 1A9
(416) 327-7462

INTEGRATED HOMEMAKER PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To support the provision of homemaker services to frail elderly or disabled adults who require assistance with normal activities of daily living and to permit them to remain in their own homes

Eligible Recipients
Local home care programs, as the program is phased in across the province

Conditions and Procedures
The local home care program will follow the policies of the Ministries of Community and Social Services and Health.

Local home care programs submit an annual budget to the Ministry of Community and Social Services for approval.

Basis of Assistance
The program is funded at 100 per cent.

Reference
Bill 113, "An Act to amend the Homemakers and Nurses Services Act", 1986

Further Information
In-Home Services Branch
Long Term Care Division
15 Overlea Blvd., 6th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4H 1A9
(416) 327-7462

ASSISTANCE TO HOSPITALS - CLASSIFICATION OF HOSPITALS

Purpose of Assistance
The Minister of Health may pay provincial aid to hospitals in such amounts, in such manner, and at such times as the regulations prescribe. R.S.O. 1980, C.410, S.5.

Eligible Recipients
Hospitals listed under the Public Hospitals Act

Hospitals are classified as general hospitals, convalescent hospitals, hospitals for chronic patients, active treatment teaching psychiatric hospitals, active treatment hospitals for alcoholism and drug addiction, and regional rehabilitation hospitals, and are graded as follows:

- Group A hospitals: general hospitals providing facilities for giving instruction to medical students of any university, as evidenced by a written agreement between the hospital and the university with which it is affiliated, and hospitals approved in writing by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons for providing post-graduate education leading to certification or a fellowship in one or more of the specialties recognized by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons;
- Group B hospitals: general hospitals having not fewer than 100 beds;
- Group C hospitals: general hospitals having fewer than 100 beds;
- Group D hospitals: hospitals that treat patients suffering from cancer, that undertake research with respect to the cause and treatment of cancer, and that provide facilities for the instruction of medical students;
- Group E hospitals: general rehabilitation hospitals;
- Group F hospitals: hospitals for chronic patients and having not fewer than 200 beds;
- Group G hospitals: hospitals for chronic patients and having fewer than 200 beds;
- Group H hospitals: psychiatric hospitals providing facilities for giving instruction to medical students of any university;
- Group I hospitals: hospitals for the treatment of patients suffering from alcoholism and drug addiction;
- Group J hospitals: hospitals designated by the minister to provide special rehabilitation services for disabled persons in a region of Ontario specified by the minister for each hospital;

- Group K hospitals: separate organized facilities approved as such by the minister to provide local diagnostic and treatment services in a community or district to handicapped or disabled individuals requiring restorative and adjustive services in an integrated and co-ordinated program;
- Group L hospitals: hospitals for the treatment of patients suffering from alcoholism and drug addiction and providing facilities for giving instruction to medical students of any university as evidenced by a written agreement between the hospital and the university with which it is affiliated;
- Group M hospitals: hospitals that may charge and receive payment from other hospitals for the performance of computerized axial tomography scans;
- Group N hospitals: hospitals that may acquire and operate magnetic resonance imaging equipment and may charge and accept payment from other hospitals for the performance of magnetic resonance imaging;
- Group O hospitals: hospitals used as transplantation centres;
- Group P hospitals: hospitals that may acquire and operate extra corporeal shock wave lithotripsy equipment;
- Group Q hospitals: hospitals that may provide in vitro fertilization services;
- Group R hospitals: hospitals that may provide the drug azidothymidine, commonly called "AZT";
- Group S hospitals: hospitals that may provide biosynthetic human growth hormones.
- Group T hospitals: hospitals that may act as distribution centres for drugs for cystic fibrosis treatment and that provide drug related therapy for cystic fibrosis treatment; and
- Group U hospitals: hospitals that may act as distribution centres for drugs for thalassemia treatment and that provide drug related therapy for thalassemia treatment.

Conditions and Procedures

See the regulations under the Public Hospitals Act.

Basis of Assistance

See the regulations under the Public Hospitals Act. .

Reference

Public Hospitals Act, and the Regulations thereunder.

CAPITAL GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATIONS - HOSPITALS AND RELATED FACILITIES

Purpose of Assistance

The Minister of Health may pay provincial aid to hospitals in such amounts, in such manner, and at such times as the regulations prescribe.

Eligible Recipients

Hospitals listed under the Public Hospitals Act

- Community Hospitals

  Ontario Regulation 859 under the Public Hospitals Act allows the province to provide grants not exceeding either 2/3 or 5/6 of the approved cost of constructing or renovating community hospitals. Approved costs include the costs of construction or renovation, professional fees, and necessary basic equipment.

  A capital grant for a project operated by the Ontario Cancer Treatment and Research Foundation may be any amount not exceeding the shareable cost of the project.

  The 5/6 of approved costs is provided to hospitals located in a northern municipality with a population of not greater than 12,000 in a territorial district or a provisional county.
- Teaching Hospitals

  Regulation 862 under the Public Hospitals Act provides capital grants for teaching hospitals. The province accepts responsibility for the approved capital cost of the university hospitals and of teaching and research facilities forming part of the university-affiliated hospitals.
- Rehabilitation and Children's Treatment Centres

  In accordance with Regulation 861 under the Public Hospitals Act, the province accepts responsibility for the approved capital cost of a regional rehabilitation hospital or that part of a hospital that provides special facilities for medical rehabilitation of patients. The facility is expected to provide a wide range of special services and must be approved by the minister as a regional rehabilitation centre before becoming eligible for grants on the basis of full costs.

  Regulation 860 under the Public Hospitals Act provides that, for rehabilitation facilities serving a local community or district (e.g. crippled children's treatment centres), the grant will be 2/3 of the approved cost.
- Economic Investments

  Regulation 858 under the Public Hospitals Act provides that 100 per cent of the capital cost of economic

investment projects may be paid where operating savings to the government will recover the capital cost within five or fewer years.

- Amalgamation

  Regulation 856 under the Public Hospitals Act provides grants of 100 per cent of the approved capital cost of amalgamating hospital services where the estimated savings on net operating costs during the five years following the establishment of the amalgamated service equal or exceed the approved capital cost.

- Developing Health Resources

  Under the Ministry of Health Act, the minister may make grants for developing health resources to such persons and organizations and upon such terms and conditions as the regulations prescribe.

- Biomedical Waste Incineration

  Regulation 461/86 under the Public Hospitals Act allows the province to pay a grant of 100 per cent of the project cost, less any amounts paid by the hospital for the correction of problems associated with the incineration of biomedical waste.

Conditions and Procedures

See the regulations under the Public Hospitals Act or The Ministry of Health Act.

Basis of Assistance

See the regulations under the Public Hospitals Act or The Ministry of Health Act.

Reference

Public Hospitals Act and the Regulations thereunder
Ministry of Health Act and the Regulations thereunder

Further Information

Hospital Planning Branch
Ministry of Health
15 Overlea Boulevard
7th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M4H 1A9
(416) 327-7051

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MUNICIPAL HOUSING STATEMENT GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance

A Municipal Housing Statement indicates a municipality's housing requirements and policy directions. It also provides the background information required to address the objectives of the "Land Use Planning For The Housing Policy Statement".

When endorsed by council and approved by the ministry, a statement forms the basis for a municipality's request for federal and provincial funding for housing programs.

Eligible Recipients

All municipalities are eligible to apply for municipal housing statement grants; those with approved statements may be eligible for funding to update their statements. A municipality with a population of fewer than 1,000 may request the ministry to prepare a Municipal Housing Statement on its behalf.

Conditions and Procedures

Council must pass a resolution requesting either direct technical assistance or funding. An application form and the consultant's proposal should accompany the council resolution when funding is requested.

The agreement of the upper-tier government is also required prior to approval of a study grant or direct technical assistance.

Basis of Assistance

Each application is considered on its merits, and maximum grant levels are established according to municipal population. Progress payments are made during the term of the approved study. The final grant payment is made once the housing statement has been adopted by council and approved by the ministry.

Further Information

Contact the appropriate Regional Housing Programs Office (see addresses at end of section).

ONTARIO HOME RENEWAL PROGRAM (OHRP)

Purpose of Assistance

The program is aimed at rehabilitating sub-standard homes, with the emphasis on repairing faulty structural and sanitary conditions and upgrading plumbing, heating, and electrical systems. Repairs are undertaken to bring the principal residence of low income homeowners up to municipal health and safety standards.

Eligible Recipients

Owner-occupants in participating municipalities whose adjusted family income is $21,000 or less are eligible to receive a loan not exceeding $7,500, less any federal funding. A portion of the loan may be forgiven depending on income.

Conditions and Procedures

The province has provided per capita grants to municipalities to establish revolving trust accounts for OHRP loans. As a result of the grants, loan repayments, interest accumulation, etc., many municipalities now have funds available to extend loans to eligible residents.

Basis of Assistance

The interest charged on the loan is determined by the annual "adjusted" family income of the applicant; a portion of the loan (to a maximum of $4,000) may be "forgiven" upon completion of a designated number of years of continuous occupancy.

Reference

The Housing Development Act

Further Information

Contact the appropriate Regional Housing Programs Office (see addresses at end of section).

ONTARIO HOME RENEWAL PROGRAM FOR DISABLED PERSONS (OHRP-D)

Purpose of Assistance

The program assists homeowners to undertake necessary basic modifications to improve accessibility for disabled occupants.

Eligible Recipients

Owner-occupants whose adjusted family income is $60,000 or less may apply for a loan not exceeding $15,000, less any federal funding.

Conditions and Procedures

Funds are made available directly from the ministry. Municipalities may deliver the program on a fee-for-service basis; otherwise the province is responsible for delivery.

Basis of Assistance

Assistance takes the form of a forgivable loan equal to the value of the work, including any professional fees, to a maximum of $15,000.

Reference

The Municipal Affairs and Housing Act

Further Information

Contact the appropriate Regional Housing Programs Office (see addresses at end of section).

DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FOR SOCIAL HOUSING - GRANTS AND LOANS (DASH)

Purpose of Assistance

Funding in the form of an initial grant and an interest-free loan to groups interested in developing non-profit housing projects

Eligible Recipients

Municipal, private, and co-operative non-profit housing corporations

Conditions and Procedures

An initial development grant of $1,000 is available to explore the feasibility of starting up a non-profit housing project and to organize a non-profit housing corporation. The interested group must be in the process of developing non-profit housing for the first time.

A non-profit housing corporation can be eligible for an interest-free development loan to cover technical and organizational expenses incurred until the first mortgage draw. The loan is to be capitalized against project costs and is repayable at the time of the first mortgage draw. If the project fails at any point during the development process, the loan may be forgiven.

To receive the initial grant, the group must make a written request with supplemental supporting documents to the programs manager of the appropriate Regional Housing Programs Office (RHPO) of the ministry.

To obtain the interest-free loan, the non-profit housing corporation must receive a conditional allocation and then submit an application with:

- a copy of the incorporation charter and by-laws,
- a preliminary organizational plan,
- a preliminary administrative and property management plan,
- a rationale for any non-residential space proposed,
- a description of the procurement technique, and
- a description of shelter and site requirements.

Basis of Assistance

The DASH grants are provided by the province. Interest free DASH loans are obtained from the centralized lending facility established with a particular lender.

Reference

Housing Development Act, Sections 2 and 4

Further Information

Contact the appropriate Regional Housing Programs Office (see addresses at end of section).

LOW-RISE REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

The province provides unit allocations to municipalities to administer forgivable loans for the rehabilitation of low-rise apartments that are at least 25 years old. The program covers rooming houses, owner occupied multiple dwellings, and modifications that create accessibility for disabled tenants.

Eligible Recipients

Unit allocations are available on a first come, first served basis to municipalities that have in force a property maintenance and occupancy standards by-law.

Conditions and Procedures

To receive a unit allocation, a municipality must provide to the ministry's Regional Housing Programs Office (RHPO):

- a council resolution authorizing the municipality to enter into an operating agreement with the ministry and indicating the municipal officials who will be responsible for the program's administration,
- a copy of the municipality's property maintenance and occupancy standards by-law and a description of how it is administered,
- a description of how the municipality would administer the program,
- a description of specific targeting policies that the municipality would employ if other than first come, first served, and
- an allocation request that includes:
  - the total units requested for the life of the program,
  - a schedule estimating the number of units at various stages of processing by the end of each fiscal year, and
  - supporting evidence of municipal need for the units.

Basis of Assistance

Municipalities receive an administration fee for processing loan applications. The costs of the loans are covered entirely by the province.

Reference

The Municipal Affairs and Housing Act, Section 3

Further Information

Contact the appropriate Regional Housing Programs Office (see addresses at end of section).

PAYMENTS-IN-LIEU OF TAXES

Municipalities are eligible to receive annual payments-in-lieu of taxes in respect of Ontario Housing Corporation senior citizen and family housing projects located in the municipality and exempt from municipal taxation.

Payments-in-lieu of taxes may represent a sum of money calculated on any basis whatsoever, but not in excess of the amount that would have been payable to the municipality as taxes if the properties had been assessed and taxed in the usual way.

Reference

The Housing Development Act

Further Information
Housing Field Operations
Ministry of Housing
777 Bay Street, 2nd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M5G 2E5
(416) 585-6430

CONVERT-TO-RENT-PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
The province provides unit allocations to municipalities to administer interest-free loans designed to encourage the creation of moderate-cost, market rental apartments, primarily through the conversion of non-residential buildings. The program has been expanded to include loans for the production of hostel-type accommodation as well as new rental housing within single-family accommodations.

Eligible Recipients
Unit allocations are being made available to four municipalities on a pilot basis. The ministry will do an evaluation to determine the impact of municipal delivery and the need to expand the scope of delivery agents.

Conditions and Procedures
Municipalities participating in the pilot phase must provide to the Housing Supply Branch:

- a council resolution authorizing the municipality to enter into an operating agreement with the ministry and indicating the municipal officials who will be responsible for the program's administration,
- an outline of the municipality's experience in administering other provincial programs, such as OHRP/LRRP,
- a description of how the municipality would administer the program, and
- an outline of any additional policies that the municipality will use to target the program locally.

Basis of Assistance
Municipalities receive an administration fee for processing loan applications. The costs of the loans are covered entirely by the province.

Reference
The Municipal Affairs and Housing Act

Further Information
Housing Field Operations
Ministry of Housing
777 Bay Street, 2nd Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M5G 2E5
(416) 585-6430

NON-PROFIT HOUSING PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To assist municipal non-profit, private non-profit, and co-operative housing corporations to produce modest, cost-efficient housing for persons with low to moderate incomes.

Eligible Recipients
Households of all types, including families, senior citizens, childless couples, single persons, and people with disabilities who are able to live independently.
The program emphasizes housing assistance to households whose need is especially great.

Conditions and Procedures
A minimum of 40 per cent of the units in each municipal and private non-profit project is allocated to the neediest households in the community, who pay rents based on their household income rather than on the size or type of accommodation. Rules are slightly different for co-operative non-profit projects.
The remaining units may be made available to those with eligible household incomes, or to households that can afford market rents, or to a combination of the two groups.
Eligible households qualify for rent-geared-to-income assistance if they cannot afford market rents in the project without paying more than 25 per cent of their incomes in rent.
The flexible nature of the program results in increased access to geared-to-income housing while addressing local community needs. Units rented at market prices are available to anyone, on a first come, first served basis.

Basis of Assistance
Based on general principles, the mix of income groups housed in each project is set by the individual housing agency. All rent-geared-to-income housing is made available on the basis of need and need alone.

Market rents charged in the initial year are set by the ministry, based on rents for comparable accommodation in the community. Rents in subsequent years are set by the housing agency according to costs and the subsidies available.

Reference
The Municipal Affairs and Housing Act

Further Information
Contact the appropriate Regional Housing Programs Office (see addresses at end of section).

HOME SHARING PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
Seventeen local home-sharing agencies match people seeking accommodation. These services go beyond those of a typical housing registry, as they facilitate introductory meetings and provide follow-up assistance to ensure the ongoing success of the sharing arrangement.

Eligible Recipients
Municipalities and locally based agencies are eligible for assistance. While home-sharing projects may be used by all segments of the population, the alternative is particularly suited to seniors, low to moderate income singles, and single-parent families.

Conditions and Procedures
Interested municipalities must demonstrate how the service would become integrated with area community and social service networks. The projects also require a local administering board or committee comprising representatives of local housing, health, and social service agencies.

Basis of Assistance
Communities wishing to cost share such services may apply for grants of up to $40,000 for a period of one year to cover up to 75 per cent of project operating expenses.

Further Information
Social Housing Programs Branch
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REGIONAL HOUSING PROGRAMS OFFICES

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Northern RHPO
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Sudbury, Ontario P3A 4S4
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1-800-461-1190

Northwestern RHPO
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Thunder Bay, Ontario P7E 5R7
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Southern RHPO
Standard Life Centre
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Hamilton, Ontario L8P 4V2
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London, Ontario N6A 5B5
(519) 679-7110
1-800-265-4733

SECTION 11

MINISTRY OF
Industry, Trade and Technology

EASTERN ONTARIO COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To promote balanced economic growth in Eastern Ontario and to foster community self-reliance and local initiatives

The program will be in effect for five years starting January 1, 1989.

Eligible Recipients

Operating Costs Reimbursement

Counties which had no full-time, dedicated economic development staff on January 1, 1989

Capital and Non-capital Strategic Project Grants

- All Eastern Ontario counties
- All municipalities in Eastern Ontario which are not part of a county government system
- Existing (as of January 1, 1989), legally constituted economic development commissions with full-time staff
- Any new commission with full-time staff formed after January 1, 1989 and representing a group of municipalities having a combined population of 50,000
- The Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton and its area municipalities are not eligible.

Conditions and Procedures

An acceptable strategic economic development plan must have been filed with the ministry.

Basis of Assistance

Operating Grants for Counties

The ministry will reimburse 75 per cent of the net increased operating costs, including salaries, to a maximum of $75,000 for the first year, 50 per cent to a maximum of $50,000 for the second year, and 25 per cent to a maximum of $25,000 for the third year.

Non-capital Projects

The ministry will contribute up to 50 per cent to a maximum of $50,000 for projects such as feasibility studies, marketing initiatives, databases, etc. The grant cannot be used to supplement salaries for existing positions or to cover normal operating costs.

Capital Projects

The ministry may contribute up to a maximum of 33 1/3 per cent of the approved cost of the project. Capital projects include such activities as municipal infrastructures, construction, etc.

Further Information

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SECTION 12

Management Board of Cabinet
Management Board Secretariat

SUMMER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To contribute toward the salaries and employers' contributions of eligible youth employed by approved agencies to carry out community improvement projects. Projects may include downtown planning and marketing studies, promotional and special community events, consumer, tourism, and parking surveys, and streetscape design and beautification.

Eligible Recipients

Assistance is available to such agencies as Business Improvement Areas and municipalities offering young people positions in community development and improvement projects that contribute to the economic and social viability of communities and their downtown areas.

Conditions and Procedures

- The program's main goals are to provide young people with on-the-job training and skills that are transferable to the general labour market.
- Projects must be in operation for 6 to 16 weeks during the period of May to September. Young people between 15 and 24 years of age (up to 29 if disabled) will be paid the current provincial minimum wage.
- Eligible agencies are sent program information and application forms by mail once the program is announced. Agencies must complete the application form and return it to the Community Development Branch of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.
- The branch will rank applications and will allocate funds to those agencies most closely fulfilling the criteria of the program as set out in the program guidelines. Applicants should be aware that approval will not be automatic solely on the basis of meeting general program criteria.

Further Information

Community Development Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
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Toronto, Ontario. M5G 2E5
(416) 585-6013

SECTION 13

MINISTRY OF

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UNCONDITIONAL GRANTS

Basis of Assistance

In 1992 each municipality will receive an increase of one per cent over its total 1991 unconditional grant.

Reference

The Ontario Unconditional Grants Act, R.S.O. 1980, as amended, the Regulation made under The Ontario Unconditional Grants Act, as amended

Further Information

Subsidies Management Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
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Toronto, Ontario. M5G 2E5
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Field Offices (see addresses at end of section)

MUNICIPAL TAX ASSISTANCE - LOCAL IMPROVEMENT, DRAINAGE ASSESSMENTS, AND WATER, SEWAGE AND GARBAGE RATES

Purpose of Assistance

To pay drainage costs and some special charges assessed against provincially owned properties

Eligible Recipients

All municipalities

Conditions and Procedures

The payments apply to provincially owned properties that are situated in the municipality, excluding properties owned or held in trust by Ontario Hydro.

Basis of Assistance

The assessment formula is determined in accordance with the Drainage Act. Special charges are determined in

accordance with the Local Improvement Act and Sections 210(85) and 218 of the Municipal Act.

Reference
The Municipal Tax Assistance Act

Further Information
Subsidies Management Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
777 Bay Street, 12th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M5G 2E5
(416) 586-6184
Field Offices (see addresses at end of section)

PAYMENTS-IN-LIEU - BUSINESS TAX

Purpose of Assistance
To make payments-in-lieu of business taxes

Eligible Recipients
All municipalities

Conditions and Procedures
Land must be situated in the municipality and be occupied or used by the Crown in right of Ontario, or any Crown agency, for the purpose of or in connection with any business. The legislative, executive, and administrative activities of the Government of Ontario shall not be deemed to be the carrying on of a business.

Basis of Assistance
An amount may be paid equal to what would have been produced if that part of the business mill rate that is levied for general municipal and upper tier purposes had been applied against the business assessment, as determined by the Ministry of Revenue for the previous year.

Reference
The Municipal Tax Assistance Act

Further Information
Subsidies Management Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
777 Bay Street, 12th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M5G 2E5
(416) 585-6188
Field Offices (see addresses at end of section)

PAYMENTS-IN-LIEU - REAL PROPERTY

Purpose of Assistance
To make payments-in-lieu of real property tax

Eligible Recipients
All municipalities

Conditions and Procedures
Provincial property not owned or held in trust by Ontario Hydro must be situated in the municipality (see the exceptions set out in Section 3(1) of the Municipal Tax Assistance Act). Eligible properties also include provincial parks, historical parks, wilderness areas, and the non-tenanted portions of agricultural research stations.

Basis of Assistance
An amount may be paid equal to what would have been produced if the current year's total commercial mill rate levied for general municipal and upper tier purposes, excluding schools, were applied to the real property assessment as determined by the Ministry of Revenue in the previous year.

In the case of provincial parks, historical parks, wilderness areas, and the non-tenanted portions of agricultural research stations, the grant entitlement is equal to the total grant for those properties based on assessment and mill rate as described above, or the total 1983 grant entitlement for those properties, whichever is greater.

Reference
The Municipal Tax Assistance Act

Further Information
Subsidies Management Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
777 Bay Street, 12th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M5G 2E5
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Field Offices (see addresses at end of section)

MUNICIPAL STUDENT AWARENESS PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To interest college and university students in municipal government as a career choice by providing a 10-18 week work assignment in a municipality during a summer or co-op work term

Eligible Participants

All municipalities, municipal associations, and planning boards.

Students currently enrolled in and returning to a university or community college course of study that includes core programs of:

- business, public, or municipal administration,
- commerce, economics, or political science,
- environmental studies, urban geography, or urban or regional planning,
- computer science, or
- law.

Conditions and Procedures

Municipalities wishing to participate must return a completed application form and a description of the project(s) to be assigned showing how the student will gain experience specific to local government.

Only after the application has been approved in writing may a municipality proceed to hire a student.

Basis of Assistance

A grant of 50 per cent of the student's salary, including benefits, to a maximum of $150 per week.

Further Information

Subsidies Management Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
777 Bay Street, 12th Floor
Toronto, Ontario M5G 2E5
(416) 585-6210
Field Offices (see addresses at end of section)

MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To train future municipal managers through a two-year internship in municipal management

Eligible Participants

All municipalities

Smaller municipalities may make a joint application to share an intern.

Trainee Candidates

- Anyone who has graduated within the last two years from a college or university study program with a local government content, including, for example, public or business administration, political science, economics, or urban planning

Conditions and Procedures

The municipality must submit a proposal outlining a two-year training program with a variety of work assignments, an education plan, and a council resolution supporting participation in the program.

Applications will be evaluated according to the quality of the proposed training program.

Basis of Assistance

- 50 per cent of the salary and benefits provided to the trainee to a maximum of $12,000 for each of the two years, and
- 50 per cent of the cost of any eligible educational programs that are reflected in the trainee's education plan.

Further Information

Subsidies Management Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
777 Bay Street, 12th Floor
Toronto, Ontario M5G 2E5
(416) 585-6210
Field Offices (see addresses at end of section)

MUNICIPAL CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To enhance the professional skills and knowledge of municipal councillors and staff

Eligibility

All municipalities with a population of 25,000 or less, and counties, that have passed a council resolution supporting a training and development policy for councillors and staff

Conditions and Procedures

The municipality must develop a policy on continuing education and training for councillors and staff and file a copy of the policy, with a supporting council resolution, with the ministry.

The municipality must apply for subsidy on prescribed claim forms, providing details of the courses and seminars, the names of the registrants, and the costs incurred. The forms can be submitted either as courses are completed or at the end of the calendar year.

Courses partially or fully funded by the provincial government, annual meetings, conferences, and conventions of municipal associations are not eligible for assistance under this program.

Basis of Assistance

50 per cent of the municipality's education and training costs, normally including registration, tuition fees, travel, and course materials, to a maximum of $1,000 per calendar year

Further Information

Subsidies Management Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
777 Bay Street, 12th Floor
Toronto, Ontario M5G 2E5
(416) 585-6184
Field Offices (see addresses at end of section)

MUNICIPAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING INITIATIVES PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To encourage "partnerships in education" to develop new education and training programs for municipal staff and councillors

Eligible Participants

Municipalities, municipal associations, colleges and universities, and education and training organizations.

Conditions and Procedures

The initiative must:

- be unique to municipal government,
- not duplicate any existing education and training programs for municipal staff and or councillors,
- respond to a demonstrated new or emerging need, and
- be transferrable for use in any or all municipalities.

Basis of Assistance

On a cost sharing basis, with the proportion paid by each partner to be determined in each case

Further Information

Program Services Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
777 Bay Street, 13th Floor
Toronto, Ontario M5G 2E5
(416) 585-6244

MUNICIPAL SERVICES IN FRENCH

Purpose of Assistance

To encourage and enhance the establishment of municipal services in French in municipalities

Eligible Recipients

All municipalities

Local authorities may also be eligible for assistance, depending on the availability of funds and other government programs.

Conditions and Procedures

Municipalities may apply by submitting a written request describing:

- the French-language services to be provided,
- a three- to five-year implementation plan, and
- the estimated expenditures likely to be incurred in each year.

The plan should be developed in consultation with the ministry's French Language Services Branch, which is available to provide both advisory and technical assistance.

Eligible Services

- A needs assessment to assist municipalities in establishing priorities for service delivery of (maximum funding $5,000)
- Language training for members of council and municipal staff and remedial courses for municipal employees with French as a first language (maximum funding $15,000)
- Translation from English into French of public documents, whether by municipal staff or outside translators (maximum funding $25,000)
- One-time expenditures to equip municipalities with the necessary tools to provide French language services (maximum funding $10,000)
- Special projects that:
  - will enchance the provision of French language services,
  - do not already exist, and
  - are tranferrable to other municipalities

(maximum funding $50,000 over and above the other funding available)

Basis of Assistance

Assistance is based on the terms of the agreement regarding the municipal French-language services plan and on program funding availability.

Further Information

French Language Services Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs
12th Floor, 777 Bay Street
Toronto, Ontario M5G 2E5
(416) 585-4032

COMMUNITY PLANNING GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with planning studies intended to resolve local community planning issues.

The program has the following objectives:

- to provide guidance on provincial interests and priorities,
- to encourage and support long-term planning,
- to develop strong planning skills, and
- to encourage the development and maintenance of sound planning documents.

Eligible Recipients

All municipalities and planning boards

Conditions and Procedures

Eligible projects may include:

- studies to comply with provincial policy statements (e.g. Housing Policy Statement) and other provincial interests and initiatives, or study components (including official plan amendments) that further provincial interests,
- projects serving county government review and related implementation studies,
- studies related to the boundary adjustment process, including local government studies and local government restructuring activities,
- studies related to strategic planning or that promote community development through economic development or land use strategies,
- studies related to "first time" official plans and comprehensive zoning by-laws.

Requests for funding should describe:

- the purpose of the study,
- who is to do the study,
- sources of additional funding,
- a detailed work program and timing, and
- a detailed cost breakdown by phase,

and should include:

- a council resolution requesting ministry assistance, and
- in regions, a resolution of acknowledgement or concurrence from regional council.

Basis of Assistance

The ministry will contribute up to:

- 50 per cent of approved costs, or

- 100 per cent of the costs of eligible work in unorganized territory.

Municipalities will generally be limited to one study per year, and funding will not normally exceed $35,000 per study. Studies addressing matters of provincial interest (e.g. local application of a policy statement under the Planning Act) may be funded up to 75 per cent to a maximum of $50,000.

Applications are reviewed on an individual basis and will be evaluated in terms of local needs, provincial policy, the strategic priorities of the ministry, and the availability of funding. Upon agreement by the province to provide funding, up to 85 per cent of the study costs may be advanced. The provincial contribution will be limited to those eligible study costs that have been incurred and invoiced after approval of funding.

Subsequent payments will be made in accordance with stages of completion of the study and timing agreed to by the municipality and ministry at the time of the grant commitment and will require suitable evidence of expenditures, in the form of either consultant invoices or staff work records. Payments are made upon satisfactory completion of a project and fulfilment of the terms of reference.

Further Information

Field Management Offices (see addresses at end of section)

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PROGRAM FOR RENEWAL, IMPROVEMENT, DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION (PRIDE)

Purpose of Assistance

To assist municipalities to upgrade and improve older sections of the community through a comprehensive approach to local development.

Eligible Recipients

All municipalities

Conditions and Procedures

A municipality must:

- have an approved official plan containing policies relating to community improvement,
- have a property maintenance and occupancy standards by-law under Section 31 of the Planning Act, 1983 or a private member's bill, and
- have the financial and administrative capabilities to prepare and implement a community improvement plan.

Areas in the municipality for which financial assistance may be requested under PRIDE must:

- be identified as an area in need of improvement within the community improvement policies of the municipality's official plan,
- be deficient in municipal services and community facilities,
- exhibit symptoms of physical, functional, and/or economic decline; and
- reflect the commitment and endorsement of people who live and do business in the area.

Emphasis will be put on the degree to which the improvements will have a positive impact on the overall area and act as a catalyst for private sector investment.

Basis of Assistance

The assistance available to eligible older areas is in the form of a grant covering 50 per cent of total eligible project costs, with the municipality responsible for contributing the matching 50 per cent.

Applications are received and allocations made on an annual basis. Projects approved for funding must be completed within four years of the date of the allocation. The provincial contribution will be paid on the submission of claims after the expenditures have been paid by the municipality.

Project components eligible for financial assistance under PRIDE's comprehensive approach may include the capital costs of:

- building, improving, or replacing services and utilities such as street pavement, sewers, and watermains intended specifically to serve the identified project area,
- building, improving, or replacing social and recreational facilities such as parks, community centres, and libraries,
- aesthetic improvements such as streetscape upgrading and landscaping, and
- land and building acquisition, clearance, and demolition for eligible PRIDE project components.

Project components must relate to the comprehensive improvement of the area for which funding assistance is being requested.

Certain projects will not be considered eligible for PRIDE funding, such as municipal offices, fire, police, or ambulance stations, non-capital costs of social recreational facilities, and municipal capital operational facilities (e.g. sewage or water treatment facilities).

References
The Planning Act

Further Information
Field Management Offices (see addresses at end of section)

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SECTION 14

MINISTRY OF Natural Resources

ACCESS ROADS TO PROVINCIAL PARKS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of a road under the jurisdiction and control of a municipality for the purpose of providing access to a provincial park.

Eligible Recipients

Any municipality
Road commissioners under the *Statute Labour Act*

Conditions and Procedures

Approval for an agreement must be obtained from the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

Basis of Assistance

By agreement with the Minister of Natural Resources
Subject to the availability of funds

Reference

The Provincial Parks Act

Further Information

Director
Provincial Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch
Ministry of Natural Resources
90 Sheppard Ave. East, 6th Floor
North York, Ontario M2N 1Y1
(416) 314-1080
Regional Offices (see addresses at end of section)

CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES

Purpose of Assistance

Conservation Authorities (CAs) may receive funding from the ministry to undertake capital projects under the following project categories:

Flood Control: Major Maintenance, Surveys/Studies, Capital
Flood Forecasting and Warning
Fill Line Mapping
Erosion Control: Major Maintenance, Surveys/Studies, Capital
Comprehensive Water Basin Studies
Recharge/Discharge
Administration Offices & Workshops
Outdoor Education Facilities
Great Lakes Shorelines Management Plans
Outdoor Recreation
Local Priorities Funding

Project proposals may be initiated by a CA on its own or upon the request of one or a group of its member municipalities if the project is within the authority's watershed area. The proposal must meet with the approval of the full authority board before it is submitted to the ministry. Prior to funding considerations, the project must be reviewed by and receive technical approval from the ministry. The project must also fulfil the criteria set out in the capital project ranking manual.

Eligible Recipients

All capital project requests from CAs are annually ranked by capital category according to provincial priorities, such as risk to human life, and availability of funding. In any year a conservation authority may receive a grant for the cost of the entire project or for phased developments of the project.

Basis of Assistance

- 50 per cent in southern Ontario
- 60 per cent grant in northern Ontario

Capital projects that are eligible for funding include: surveys, studies, design and construction of channelizations, dams, reservoirs, dykes, and diversions.

Funds may also be available for floodplain/hazard land mapping projects, privately owned land conservation services projects, public relations, surveys, studies, capital development, and associated land acquisitions of conservation area projects.

Reference
The Conservation Authorities Act

Further Information
Contact the Manager, Conservation Authorities Operations Unit at the Central Ontario Region Office (see addresses at end of section).

FIRES ON CROWN LANDS WITHIN FIRE REGIONS

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the cost of extinguishing fires originating from or confined to Crown lands within municipalities where no agreement (as in #4) exists

Eligible Recipients
Cities
Towns
Villages
Townships
Improvement Districts

Conditions and Procedures
- This assistance applies in fire regions.
- Satisfactory proof that the fire started on Crown land within the municipal limits must be furnished by the municipality.
- Invoices showing the costs incurred must be submitted to the ministry's local district office.

Basis of Assistance
100 per cent of the cost where the fire is proven to have started on Crown land within the municipality

Reference
The Forest Fires Prevention Act

Further Information
Aviation and Fire Management Centre
Ministry of Natural Resources
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Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. P6A 5L8
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Regional Offices (see addresses at end of section)

FIRES IN FIRE REGIONS

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the prevention and control of grass, brush, or forest fires in organized municipalities having an agreement with the ministry

Eligible Recipients
Cities
Towns
Villages
Townships
Improvement Districts

Conditions and Procedures
- This assistance applies only in fire regions.
- As many fire wardens must be appointed as are deemed necessary for the enforcement of the Forest Fire Prevention Act within the municipality.
- The municipality must acquire and maintain in good repair fire fighting equipment that, in the opinion of the minister, is adequate to combat grass, brush, or forest fires.

Basis of Assistance
By agreement

Reference
The Forest Fires Prevention Act

Further Information
Aviation and Fire Management Centre
Ministry of Natural Resources
Box 310
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. P6A 5L8
(705) 942-1800
Regional Offices (see addresses at end of section)

ONTARIO BASIC MAPPING

Purpose of Assistance
The Large Scale Municipal Mapping Program cost shares the provision to municipalities of survey control, aerial photography, 1:2000 scale topographic mapping, and digital files.

Eligible recipients
All municipalities

Conditions and Procedures
Participants must pass a resolution of council requesting that they be added to the list of municipalities waiting for funding.

Basis of Assistance
- Requests for proposals, awarding, and project administration are handled by the ministry.
- The successful bidder enters into an agreement with the ministry for the work to be done and for payment.
- The ministry and the municipality enter into a memorandum of understanding whereby both parties agree to pay the contractor an agreed sum as products and work are received and approved. The cost-sharing formula is based on the municipality's population. For example, a municipality with a population of 10,000 would contribute 10.9 per cent of the cost; a municipality with a population of 40,000 would contribute 32.2 per cent of the cost.

The 1992-93 allocation for this program is $200,000, but there is currently a 6-year waiting list for municipalities requesting assistance.

Further Information
Provincial Mapping Office
Topographic Mapping and Data Base
Land and Resources Information Branch
Ministry of Natural Resources
90 Sheppard Avenue East, 4th Floor
North York, Ontario. M2N 3A1
(416) 314-1215

FOREST HEALTH INFORMATION AND AWARENESS

Purpose of Assistance
To promote educational and informational programs that will help landowners maintain healthy, sustainable forests that can provide for a range of values that people place on forests, now and in the future.

Eligible Recipients
Members of the Gypsy Moth Management Committee (GMMC)
i.e. Regional Municipalities
Counties
Townships in territorial districts
(Upper tier municipalities only)

Conditions and Procedures
Municipalities:
- enter an agreement with the ministry to deliver a co-operative forest health program,
- hire forest health information officers to:
  - deliver an educational and informational program to landowners through public meetings, workshops, extension services, etc., and
  - co-operate with the ministry to develop materials specific to the area, and
- provide administrative support and work space for the forest health information officer.

Basis of Assistance
- funding for the forest health information officer's salary for a seasonal position
- a maximum of $1000 per month for support costs for the position

Further Information
Silviculture Section
Ministry of Natural Resources
70 Foster Drive, Suite 400
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. P6A 6V5
(705) 945-5700

Ontario Forest Health Unit
Ministry of Natural Resources
Postal Bag 70, Hungerford Rd.
Tweed, Ontario. K0K 3J0
(613) 478-2330

REGIONAL OFFICES

Central Region
Regional Director
Ministry of Natural Resources
P. O Box 9000, Brendale Square
Huntsville, Ontario. P0A 1K0
(705) 789-9611

- **Southern Region**
  Regional Director
  Ministry of Natural Resources
  820 Yonge Street South
  R. R. #2
  Aurora, Ontario. L4C 3G8
  (416) 727-2400

- Indicates the presence of a Regional Conservation Authorities Program Co-ordinator.

SECTION 15

MINISTRY OF [redacted]

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OPERATING GRANTS TO LOCAL SERVICES BOARDS FOR BASIC SERVICES - TERRITORY WITHOUT MUNICIPAL ORGANIZATION IN NORTHERN ONTARIO

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the operating and maintenance costs of providing basic services in an unincorporated area in which a local services board has been elected and duly authorized for one or more of the following powers: water supply, garbage collection, street or area lighting, fire protection, sewage disposal, and recreation.

One minor capital project per year costing $3,000 or less may also be funded as part of the operating budget.

Eligible Recipients

Local Services Boards

Conditions and Procedures

The ministry provides a matching dollar for dollar grant, based on monies that are:

- raised locally through eligible sources (i.e. local taxation via a surcharge on the Provincial Land Tax bill, user fees, and/or fund raising events), and
- expended on operating and maintenance.

To receive payment the board must:

- prepare an annual budget, complete a form requesting subsidy, and forward both to the ministry, and
- submit an interim financial statement and a year end audit.

Basis of Assistance

Grants are available for up to 50 per cent of the operating cost of the services described above, net of any other government funding. Minor capital projects are funded at the same rate.

Bequests, donated land, and voluntary labour or materials are not eligible for consideration in determining the matching grant. No capital funding toward the establishment of a service or facility will be provided under this program.

Reference

Bill 122, An Act to establish Local Services Boards

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MUNICIPAL RECYCLING SUPPORT PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To offset capital costs of starting a municipal recycling program.

Eligible Recipients

Municipalities or groups of municipalities

Conditions and Procedures

The program provides funding for up to 1/6 of equipment costs and 1/2 of building costs as a supplement to assistance provided by the Ministry of the Environment and the Ontario Multi-Materials Recycling Institute.

When the Ministry of the Environment has approved a project, the documentation and a separate letter requesting assistance should be forwarded to the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

Basis of Assistance

Grants are available for up to 1/6 of the capital start up costs for recycling collection and processing equipment and, in special circumstances, 1/3 of the costs of constructing a recycling facility.

Further Information
Manager, Regional & Community Development
Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
Northwest Regional Office
Box 5000
435 James Street South
Thunder Bay, Ontario P7E 6E3
(807) 475-1585

Area Manager
Highway 17 Area Office
Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
159 Cedar Street, 2nd Floor
Sudbury, Ontario P3E 6A5
(705) 670-7316

Area Manager
Highway 11 Area Office
Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
3rd. Floor, 60 Wilson Avenue
Timmins, Ontario P4N 2S7
(705) 267-8473

UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES CAPITAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (UCCAP)

Purpose of Assistance
To assist local services boards and non profit corporations in unincorporated communities with minor capital expenditures for the provision of basic services related to water supply, sewage, garbage collection, street lighting, and recreation to improve the overall quality of life.

Eligible Recipients
Local services boards and non-profit corporations in unincorporated communities.

Conditions and Procedures
The community develops the project in co-operation with its Northern Development Officer.

Basis of Assistance
Up to 75 per cent, to a maximum of $10,000, of the costs of minor capital projects to provide basic services.

NORTHERN COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To assist communities in northern Ontario to identify and pursue opportunities to develop and diversify their local economies with the private sector and to work effectively with other government agencies providing specific industrial development support programs.
The program provides the basis for any special or capital development assistance not normally available from either the private or the public sector.
It has been designed to be flexible and responsive to local needs and opportunities and to help communities help themselves in developing the local economy.

Conditions and Procedures
The ministry will provide municipal staff with advisory services and funding assistance for:
- community awareness programs, including economic development seminars,
- investigating the community's potential for new business development,
- identifying new business opportunities and assessing their feasibility,
- developing promotional materials, and
- establishing and operating a Municipal Economic Development Agency for an initial five year period.

No application form is required.

Basis of Assistance
Advisory services and funding assistance up to 75 per cent.

Further Information
Requests for assistance can be directed to any one of the ministry's area or regional offices.
Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
Northern Development and Transportation Division

MUNICIPAL WATER AND SEWER SUPPORT PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To offset capital costs for the construction of municipal sewer and water systems.

Eligible Recipients
Northern Ontario municipalities

Conditions and Procedures
The program provides funding for municipal water and sewer systems that have been approved by the Ministry of the Environment. A separate application should be forwarded to the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

Basis of Assistance
Grants for up to 50 per cent of a municipality's share of capital costs remaining after assistance has been provided by the Ministry of the Environment.

Further Information
Manager, Regional & Community Development
Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
Northwest Regional Office
Box 5000
435 James Street South
Thunder Bay, Ontario P7E 6E3
(807) 475-1585

Area Manager
Highway 17 Area Office
Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
159 Cedar Street, 2nd Fl.
Sudbury, Ontario P3E 6A5
(705) 670-7314

Area Manager
Highway 11 Area Office
Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
3rd. Floor, 60 Wilson Avenue
Timmins, Ontario P4N 2S7
(705) 267-8473

SMALL COMMUNITIES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (SCIP)

Purpose of Assistance
To address the special needs of small municipalities and Native bands in northern Ontario by providing minor capital funding for the construction or renovation of permanent installations to enhance the delivery of essential services.

Eligible Recipients
- Municipalities located in northern Ontario with a permanent population of up to 2,000
- Native bands located in northern Ontario

Conditions and Procedures
- The program will fund minor capital projects that are not eligible for assistance under other government programs.
- The application must be supported by a municipal council or band council resolution.
- Applications should be submitted to the nearest Northern Development Office by the March 31st deadline.
- The applicant must demonstrate how the proposed project will complement its long range planning.

Basis of Assistance
Up to 50 per cent of total eligible project costs, to a maximum grant of $50,000.
Applicants must explore and access all possible sources of funding before applying and must contribute 50 per cent from their own resources. An applicant's share may include contributions in kind (e.g. labour, materials).

NORTHERN TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance
To encourage employers in northern Ontario to provide valuable work experience and training to northern young people.

Eligible Recipients
Northern employers, including private sector and non-profit employers, municipalities, and Native bands.

Conditions and Procedures
Northern employers may apply for approval to hire young people under one or more components of the program: secondary students (summer employment), post-secondary students (employment during the summer or co-op placement), or interns (up to one year of employment for recent graduates).
Jobs must be located in northern Ontario and provide northern young people with appropriate training and skills development to help them make the transition from school to work. Applications must include a training plan. Jobs must be in addition to existing jobs.

The program also supports pilot projects that provide specialized training for northern young people representing target groups.

Basis of Assistance

A 50 per cent wage subsidy up to $3.50 per hour for secondary students, up to $5.00 per hour for post secondary students, and up to $7.00 per hour for interns.

To receive their funding, employers must submit claim forms, signed by both the employee and the employer, at the end of the work term.

REGIONAL OFFICES

NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO

Northwest Regional Office
P.O. Box 5000
435 James Street South
Thunder Bay, Ontario P7E 6E3
(807) 475-1585

Kenora Area Office
12 Main Street South
Kenora, Ontario P9N 1S7
(807) 468-2800

NORTHEASTERN ONTARIO

Northeast Regional Office
421 Bay Street, Suite 301
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 1X3
(705) 942-0100

Highway 17 Area Office
159 Cedar Street, 2nd Flr.
Sudbury, Ontario P3E 6A5
(705) 670-7316

Highway 11 Area Office
3rd. Floor, 60 Wilson Avenue
Timmins, Ontario P4N 2S7
(705) 267-8473

Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation

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INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE (NORFUND SUB-PROGRAM)

Purpose of Assistance

To remove specific physical constraints to the development of identified small-scale, private sector projects.

Assistance may include mapping, power and water supply, waste disposal, access, and other public services.

Eligible Recipients

Projects must be located in the territorial districts of northern Ontario: Algoma, Cochrane, Kenora, Manitoulin, Nipissing, Parry Sound, Rainy River, Sudbury, Thunder Bay, and Timiskaming.

The municipal governments of Sudbury, Timmins, North Bay, Sault Ste. Marie, and Thunder Bay are not eligible, although applications from the private sector within those communities may be considered.

Conditions and Procedures

Projects must establish or expand commercial activities involving one or more of:

- natural resource harvesting,
- quarrying and mining,
- manufacturing,
- processing,
- marketing, wholesaling, or warehousing local products,
- repair and other services for the foregoing,
- other commercial activities that will result in a developmental advantage for northern Ontario communities.

Proposals must demonstrate:

- the satisfactory commercial and financial viability of the business(es) to be developed with the requested assistance, and
- that additional net economic benefits will accrue.

An application for assistance must be made while the project is still in the planning stages. Contractual commitments made in respect of any project which had not yet been approved may be ineligible for funding.

The proponent's financial participation in the project shall not be lower than 10 per cent of the approved capital costs of the undertaking.

Application forms are available from the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Technology, and the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation.

Basis of Assistance

Assistance to the public sector, such as municipalities, will be in the form of grants, normally not exceeding 75 per cent of approved capital costs or $200,000, whichever is the lesser. Public sector projects will be handled through the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

50 per cent of the grant will be advanced:

- when construction begins or when equipment and materials are ordered;
- when the required equity has been invested;
- when the security has been received to cover the amount advanced.

The final 50 per cent will be forwarded upon verification that the project has been completed. Any advance payment that exceeded the maximum eligible grant, based on actual approved costs, must be refunded immediately.

Further Information

Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation
444 Queen Street East
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 1Z7
(705) 942-8004
1-800-461-8329

REGIONAL EVENTS/ATTRACTION MARKETING (NORFUND SUB-PROGRAM)

Purpose of Assistance

To assist in marketing tourist attractions or major events to create additional employment opportunities and stimulate tourism and related economic activities.

Eligible Recipients

Projects must be located in the territorial districts of northern Ontario: Algoma, Cochrane, Kenora, Manitoulin, Nipissing, Parry Sound, Rainy River, Sudbury, Thunder Bay, and Timiskaming.

Municipalities, individuals, corporations, groups, and Indian bands may apply.

Conditions and Procedures

Events eligible for assistance must be regionally significant and of a duration of not fewer than two full days.

"Regionally significant" is generally understood to describe attractions that have the capacity to draw tourists into the region from southern Ontario, from other provinces, or from outside Canada.

The proposal shall demonstrate that the budget for the marketing plan (project) will improve the income potential and financial success of the attraction or event and is in addition to the past year's marketing budget.

Costs of the proposed marketing plan incurred prior to the date of the application will not be eligible. Costs of the proposed marketing plan incurred after the date of application and prior to approval may be eligible at the discretion of the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

In implementing this market plan the proponent shall give preference, where applicable, to Canadian companies and suppliers.

Promotion of government owned and/or operated facilities is not eligible for participation under the subprogram.

The proposal shall include:

- a description of the event or attraction;
- a brief resumé, relevant to the proposed project, of the business and management background of the applicants;
- a current operating statement and balance sheet;
- a description, including costs, of the previous year's marketing plan (where applicable), and an assessment of its results;
- a description of the proposed marketing plan identifying the increase in promotional spending and including:
  - its purpose;
  - past and potential markets, including target markets;
  - proposed strategies, rationale, and media to be used;
  - an estimated budget and time schedule;
  - financial arrangements.

Disbursements will be made for up to 50 per cent of eligible costs incurred by the approved program and supported by original invoices. Cost overruns are not eligible for assistance.

Projects shall be completed within the time schedule outlined in the proposed marketing plan or within two years, whichever is the lesser.

The program is delivered by the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation. Application forms are available from the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation, and the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation.

Basis of Assistance

The total government contribution toward any project shall not exceed 50 per cent.

The maximum grant over two years will be the lesser of:

- 50 per cent of the approved marketing costs, or
- $50,000.

Projects under $3,000 will not be eligible for funding.

Further Information

Ministry of Northern Development and Mines

Northeastern Ontario

Regional and Community Development Branch
421 Bay Street, Suite 301
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 1X3
(705) 942-0100

Community Development Branch
199 Larch Street, 4th Floor
Sudbury, Ontario P3E 5P9
(705) 675-4441

Northwestern Ontario

Regional and Community Development Branch
Box 5000
435 James Street South
Thunder Bay, Ontario P7E 6E3
(807) 475-1585

Community Relations Branch
12 Main Street South
Kenora, Ontario P9N 1S7
(807) 468-3135

or

Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation
444 Queen Street East
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 1Z7
(705) 942-8004
1-800-461-8329

SECTION 17

PAYMENTS-IN-LIEU OF TAXES LANDS AND BUILDINGS

Purpose of Assistance

Payments in lieu of property taxes on:

- lands owned by and vested in Ontario Hydro,
- buildings used exclusively for executive and administrative purposes and owned by and vested in Ontario Hydro, or
- buildings owned by and vested in Ontario Hydro and rented by it to other persons.

Eligible Recipients

All municipalities

Basis of Assistance

The payment will be an amount equal to what would have been produced if the commercial mill rate had been applied to the real property assessment as determined by the Ministry of Revenue, except on residential properties, in which case the residential mill rate would be applied.

The total of payments from Ontario Hydro to any municipality shall not exceed 50 per cent of the tax levy, exclusive of local improvements, in any one year.

Reference

The Power Corporation Act

Further Information

Assessment and Taxation Administrator
Ontario Hydro
700 University Avenue
Toronto, Ontario M5G 1X6
(416) 506-2911

PAYMENTS-IN-LIEU OF TAXES GENERATING AND TRANSFORMER STATIONS

Purpose of Assistance

Payments-in-lieu of property taxes on generating station buildings or transformer station buildings owned and vested in Ontario Hydro, except in cases where the plant is not yet operational

Eligible Recipients

All municipalities

Conditions and Procedures

The assessment is to be based on $86.11 for each square metre of inside ground floor area of the actual buildings housing generating, transforming, and auxiliary equipment and machinery, multiplied by the municipality's equalization factor used for the year 1978.

Basis of Assistance

The payment will be an amount equal to what would have been produced if the commercial mill rate had been applied to the assessment. The total payments from Ontario Hydro to any municipality shall not exceed 50 per cent of the tax levy, exclusive of local improvements, in any one year.

Reference

The Power Corporation Act

Further Information

Assessment and Taxation Administrator
Ontario Hydro
700 University Avenue (U9 A1)
Toronto, Ontario M5G 1X6
(416) 506-2911

PAYMENTS-IN-LIEU OF TAXES BUSINESS ASSESSMENT

Purpose of Assistance

Payments-in-lieu of business taxes on:

- lands owned by and vested in Ontario Hydro,
- buildings used exclusively for executive and administrative purposes and owned by and vested in Ontario Hydro, and
- generating station buildings and transformer station buildings owned by and vested in Ontario Hydro,

except where property is residential or where land or buildings are rented to other persons

Eligible Recipients

All municipalities

Basis of Assistance

The payment will be an amount equal to what would have been produced if the commercial mill rate had been applied to 60 per cent of the real property assessment as determined by the Ministry of Revenue.

Reference

The Power Corporation Act

Further Information

Assessment and Taxation Administrator
Ontario Hydro
700 University Avenue
Toronto, Ontario M5G 1X6
(416) 506-2911

SECTION 18

MINISTRY OF [redacted]

COURTS BACKLOG GRANT PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance

To assist municipalities whose police services are experiencing increased work load and to alleviate courts backlogs resulting from the Supreme Court of Canada decision regarding Regina vs Askov

Eligible Recipients

Municipalities with a municipal police service

Conditions and Procedures

- The grant is for a three year period commencing in fiscal year 1990/91 and ending 1992/93.
- Financial assistance is awarded on a one-time basis to cover the costs of staff overtime and audio visual equipment purchases.
- Municipal police services must demonstrate increased work load directly attributable to the Askov Supreme Court decision.
- Applications must be submitted by the police chief and will be received for the period commencing April 1, 1992 and ending March 31, 1993.
- The application must provide details on costs and the number of civilian and uniformed staff involved in overtime court related activities.
- Audio visual equipment is to be used for evidence collection.
- Supporting documentation must be included with the application.
- Participating forces will be required to sign a funding contract.

Basis of Assistance

The available funding for the 1992-93 fiscal year is $1.5 million.

Further Information

Ministry of the Solicitor General
Policing Services Division
Standards and New Programs Branch
25 Grosvenor Street, 10th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 1Y6
(416) 965-3281

UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES FIRE PROTECTION PROGRAM (UCFP)

Purpose of Assistance

The acquisition of fire equipment through the Office of the Fire Marshal (OFM), including fire vehicles, portable fire pumps, and miscellaneous equipment to respond to the fire protection needs of the community.

Conditions and Procedures

- Ownership of fire equipment provided through the Ontario Marshal's Office is retained by the province.
- The fire chief of the unincorporated community must enter into an agreement with the Office of the Fire Marshal to establish a fire fighting team in the area. If a local services board exists in the unincorporated area, the board enters into an agreement with the Fire Marshal.
- The fire team is responsible for the cost of maintaining, operating, and housing the fire equipment.
- Applications are assessed on the basis of need, population, degree of self-help, and date of request.

To Receive Fire Equipment

The volunteer fire team in an unincorporated area submits a request in the form of a letter to the ministry through the Fire Marshal. Applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Further Information

Ministry of the Solicitor General
Office of the Fire Marshal
Northeast Regional Office
Provincial Building
199 Larch Street, 8th Floor
Sudbury, Ontario. P3E 5P9
(705) 675-4550

or

Northwest Regional Office
c/o Northern Fire Protection Complex
Provincial Government Offices Road
Sudbury, Ontario. P3A 4S1
(705) 523-6907

SECTION 19

MINISTRY OF

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RECREATION GRANTS FOR ONTARIO COMMUNITIES

Purpose of Assistance

The ministry recently established a three year goal to ensure that "...all individuals, especially those now facing barriers that prevent equal participation, lead more active and effective lives."

The ministry has designed a program which addresses the new realities of recreation programming in the 1990s. These realities include the importance of meeting the needs of:

- children and youth
- women
- Franco-Ontarians
- older adults
- working families
- aboriginal people
- people with disabilities
- visible minorities

These programs will enhance communities' ability to help these groups overcome barriers to participation.

Eligible Recipients

Partner organizations include municipalities, Band councils, local services boards, and non-profit organizations. Non-profit organizations must have been incorporated for at least one year before they apply for capital grants. School boards in unorganized territories are also eligible. Grants may also be provided to any private or public employer for employee fitness projects.

Conditions and Procedures

Ministry funding is available for projects in the following categories:

- capital for new recreation facilities
- capital conservation
- leadership development
- participation development
- organizational effectiveness
- planning
- marketing
- research

Basis of Assistance

Funding Formulas for Capital Projects

In the Northwestern, Northeastern (except for the District of Muskoka), and Eastern Regions a grant may be available for up to one-half of the net eligible cost of a project, to a maximum of $150,000.

In the Southern Region and the District of Muskoka a grant may be available for up to one-third of the net eligible cost of a project, to a maximum of $100,000.

Funding Formulas for Development Projects

The ministry may provide a grant of up to 50 per cent of the eligible cost of the development project. Additional funding may be available for projects of special local and/or regional significance.

Further Information

Partner organizations must discuss the proposed project eligibility and priority with the local recreational consultant (see addresses of local offices at end of section).

COMMUNITY WATERFRONT

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the costs of:

- landfill and site preparation,
- relocation of buildings and structures,
- site services and improvements,
- municipal marina facilities,
- preservation of lands and structures of historic, cultural, heritage, provincial, or local significance.

Eligible Recipients

Municipalities with a population of up to 50,000.

Conditions and Procedures

- Applicants must submit a recent waterfront proposal supported by a resolution of council.
- Projects must make all facilities available to the general public without restriction.

- Where new slips are created, at least 75 per cent of those dockage/slips must be made and kept available for exclusive use by boaters not residing in the community.
- Projects must have a total eligible capital cost of at least $250,000.

Basis of Assistance

- Up to 1/3 of the total project cost, not to exceed $500,000, for eligible facilities
- Up to 1/2 of the total costs, not to exceed $50,000, of planning, engineering, and feasibility studies

Further Information

Contact the local field office (see addresses at end of section).

REG. 517 - PROGRAMS OF RECREATION

Purpose of Assistance

To support community programs of recreation

Eligible Recipients

Cities
Towns
Villages
Townships
Territories without municipal organization
Indian Reserves
Local Services Boards

Conditions and Procedures

- The recreation program must be approved by the Minister of Tourism and Recreation.
- The expenditures incurred by the recreation committee must be authorized for payment by the council.

Basis of Assistance

Where the population of the applicant is:

- 5,000 or fewer: the lesser of $6,000 or 50 per cent of the approved recreation costs.
- greater than 5,000 but fewer than 25,001: the lesser of $9,000 or 25 per cent of the approved recreation costs.
- greater than 25,000: the lesser of $12,000 or 10 per cent of the approved recreation costs

Reference

The Ministry of Tourism and Recreation Act, O.Reg. 517 R.R.O. 1983

Further Information

Manager
Grants Administration
Operations Division
Ministry of Tourism and Recreation
77 Bloor St. West, 7th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7266

FIELD OFFICES

Toronto Program Branches
Recreation Policy Branch
77 Bloor Street West, 8th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9
(416) 314-7185

SOUTHERN REGION

Toronto
700 Bay Street, 8th Floor
Toronto, Ontario. M5G 1Z6
(416) 314-6662

London
255 Dufferin Avenue, Suite 601
London, Ontario. N6A 5K6
(519) 679-7156
1-800-265-4730

St. Catharines
15 Church Street, Suite 404
St. Catharines, Ontario. L2R 3B5
(416) 684-2345
1-800-263-2441

Windsor
250 Windsor Avenue, 6th Floor
Windsor, Ontario. N9A 6V9
(519) 256-4913
1-800-265-1330

Barrie
34 Simcoe Street, Suite 302
Barrie, Ontario. L4N 6T4
(705) 737-3301
1-800-461-4499

Kitchener
30 Duke St. West, 4th Floor
Kitchener, Ontario. N2H 3W5
(519) 578-3600
1-800-265-6361

Hamilton
119 King Street West, 6th Floor
Hamilton, Ontario. L8P 4T9
(416) 521-7244

Owen Sound
1137 Second Avenue, East
Nor-Towne Plaza
Owen Sound, Ontario. N4K 2J1
(519) 376-3875
1-800-265-3796

Hanover
427 10th Street, 2nd Floor
Hanover, Ontario. N4N 1P8
(519) 364-1626
1-800-265-5520

EASTERN REGION

Ottawa
10 Rideau Street, 4th Floor
Ottawa, Ontario. K1N 9J1
(613) 787-4000
1-800-267-9340

Peterborough
305 Stewart Street
Peterborough, Ontario. K9J 3N2
(705) 748-3711
1-800-461-7629

Kingston
1055 Princess Street, Suite 304
Kingston, Ontario. K7L 5T3
(613) 545-4350
1-800-267-0225

Brockville
2211 Parkedale Avenue
Brockville, Ontario. K6V 6B2
(613) 342-5522
1-800-267-8138

NORTHWEST REGION

Thunder Bay
3rd Floor, Suite 302
West Arthur Place
1265 Arthur Street East
Thunder Bay, Ontario. P7E 6E7
(807) 623-5592

Kenora
344 Second Street South
2nd Floor, Suite 201
Lakewood Credit Union
Kenora, Ontario. P9N 1G5
(807) 468-2450

Dryden
479 Government Road
P.O. Box 3000
Dryden, Ontario. P8N 3B3
(807) 223-2271

Sault Ste. Marie
499 Queen Street, 2nd Floor
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. P6A 1Z9
(705) 942-3751
1-800-461-2409

Fort Frances
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P.O. Box 815
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ROADS, BRIDGES AND CULVERTS

Purpose of Assistance
To assist in the construction and maintenance of roads, bridges and culverts

Eligible Recipients
Regional, District and Metropolitan Municipalities
Counties
Townships
Improvement Districts
Villages
Towns
Cities and Separated Towns
Indian Reserves

Conditions and Procedures
- The minister will annually advise the eligible recipients of the monies allocated for road improvements for that year and on request may make supplementary allocations.
- Work on which a claim will be made must be included in a detailed statement covering annual estimated expenditures on roads for the calendar year (due March 31st) or in a supplementary statement and be approved by the minister.
- Municipalities must annually, and, with the consent of the minister, may at any time during the progress of road construction and maintenance submit to the minister:
  - a detailed statement of receipts and expenditures in the form prescribed by the minister,
  - a declaration of the road superintendent that the statement of receipts and expenditures is correct and the work has been done in accordance with requirements of the minister,
  - a declaration of the treasurer that the statement is correct, and
  - a petition for the payment of the subsidy authorized by a resolution of council, (or, in the case of a county, an interim statement by resolution of the road committee).

- Cities or separated towns must contribute toward construction and maintenance of suburban roads to be eligible for grants.

Basis of Assistance

Counties:

50 per cent of road and bridge construction and maintenance; up to 80 per cent of road and bridge construction and maintenance if the minister considers that the needs and financial capability of the municipality merit it

Townships, Improvement Districts, and Indian Reserves:

50 per cent of road and bridge construction and maintenance; up to 80 per cent for roads and 100 per cent for bridge construction and maintenance if the minister considers that the economic conditions merit it

Non-Separated Towns and Villages:

50 per cent of road construction and maintenance; 80 per cent for bridge and culvert construction and maintenance

Cities and Separated Towns:

50 per cent of road, bridge, and culvert construction and maintenance

Regions, Metro Toronto, and District of Muskoka:

50 per cent of road and bridge construction and maintenance; up to 80 per cent of road and bridge construction and maintenance if the minister considers that the needs and financial capability of the municipality merit it

References

The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act
The Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto Act

Further Information

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SUBURBAN ROADS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with expenditures on suburban roads and bridges

Eligible Recipients

Counties

Conditions and Procedures

- A suburban roads commission must be appointed.
- An appropriation must be made to the suburban roads commission by the county council.
- The municipality's share is to be borne equally by both the county and the city (or separated town).

Basis of Assistance

50 per cent of road and bridge construction and maintenance; up to 80 per cent of road and bridge construction and maintenance if the minister considers that the needs and financial capability of the municipality merit it

Reference

The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act

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KING'S HIGHWAY CONNECTING LINKS

Definition

A route that handles through traffic and is essential to the King's Highway system

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with:

- the cost of construction in cities and separated towns,
- the cost of construction and maintenance in towns, villages, and townships

Eligible Recipients

Cities and Separated Towns
Towns
Villages
Townships
Counties

Conditions and Procedures

- The highway must be designated a connecting link by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
- Where the work is undertaken as a local improvement under the Local Improvement Act, the owners' share of the cost shall not be included in the cost of the work upon which the province's contribution is calculated.

Basis of Assistance

By agreement with the minister, subject to the following maximums:

- where the highway is in a town, not being a separated town, having a population of not greater than 2,500, or in a village or township having a population of not greater than 2,500: 100 per cent of the cost of the eligible items of construction and maintenance of the connecting link route, including roadways or additional widths of roadway necessary to permit the proper interchange of traffic with the connecting link;
- where the highway is in a town, not being a separated town, having a population of greater than 2,500, or in a village or township having a population of greater than 2,500: 90 per cent of the cost of the eligible items of construction and maintenance of the connecting link route, including roadways necessary to permit the proper interchange of traffic with the connecting link;
- where the highway is in a separated town or city: 75 per cent of the cost of the eligible items of construction of the connecting link route, including roadways or additional widths of roadway necessary to permit the proper interchange of traffic with the connecting link.

Reference

The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act

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DEVELOPMENT ROADS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with the construction of a road or proposed road that, because of a provincial initiative, an existing or proposed economic development, or traffic, the minister considers should be constructed or improved to a higher standard than is reasonable having regard to the economic situation of the municipality.

Eligible Recipients

Townships
Improvement Districts
Towns and Villages

Conditions and Procedures

- The road or proposed road must be designated by the ministry as a development road.
- An agreement with the minister is required.

Basis of Assistance

Any proportion up to 100 per cent of construction costs, except property acquisition, damage claims, and fencing.

Reference

The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act

Further Information

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LOCAL ROADS BOARDS - TERRITORY WITHOUT MUNICIPAL ORGANIZATION

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the cost of work performed on local roads in an area in which a local roads board has been elected

Eligible Recipients
Local Roads Boards

Conditions and Procedures
- A local roads area must have been established and a local roads board elected, under the provisions of the Local Roads Boards Act.
- The secretary treasurer of the board must remit to the minister an amount equal to taxes received, less incidental administrative costs.
- Ministry personnel supervise the work.

Basis of Assistance
An amount equal to twice that remitted to the minister for work on roads and up to 100 percent of the cost of bridges and culverts

References
The Local Roads Boards Act
The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act

Further Information
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STATUTE LABOUR BOARDS AND GROUPS - TERRITORY WITHOUT MUNICIPAL ORGANIZATION

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the cost of work performed on local roads in unincorporated areas other than those in which local roads boards have been formed

Eligible Recipients
Statute labour boards and groups in territory without municipal organization

Conditions and Procedures
A statute labour board must have been elected under provisions of the Statute Labour Act, or, where there are not the requisite number of landholders, a group may appoint an agent and make application for aid to the ministry.

Basis of Assistance
An amount equal to the group's contribution or to the value of acceptable statute labour work on roads and up to 100 per cent of the total cost for bridges and culverts

Reference
The Statute Labour Act
The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act

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SIDEWALKS ON A KING'S HIGHWAY OR COUNTY ROAD

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with the construction of sidewalks on the King's Highway or a county road

Eligible Recipients
Townships

Conditions and Procedures
- The authority of the minister to construct the sidewalk must be obtained.
- Upon completion of the work the township must apply to the minister for payment.

Basis of Assistance
A maximum of 50 per cent of the cost of the work

Reference
The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act

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MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

Purpose of Assistance
To assist with studies of the development and improvement of transportation systems (including all modes of transporting people and goods), traffic operation, and the collection of certain traffic data

Eligible Recipients
Metropolitan and Regional Municipalities
Cities
Towns
Townships
Counties
Separated Towns
Villages

Conditions and Procedures
The municipality must enter into an agreement with the minister

Basis of Assistance
By agreement with the minister, 50 per cent of the cost (up to 75 per cent in certain circumstances)

Reference
The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act

Further Information

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MUNICIPAL TRANSIT OPERATION AND CAPITAL

Purpose of Assistance
To provide financial, technical, and technological assistance to municipalities for the provision of public transportation. Expenditures eligible for provincial funding assistance include:

- operating costs
- acquisition, replacement, and rehabilitation of capital assets
- rapid transit construction, and
- transit demonstration projects

Eligible Recipients
All municipalities

Conditions and Procedures

- "Public Transportation" is any service for which a fare is charged for transporting the public by vehicles operated by or on behalf of a municipality or a local board thereof or, under an agreement, between a municipality and a person, firm, or corporation, and includes special transportation facilities for physically disabled people, but does not include transportation by special purpose facilities such as school buses or ambulances.
- "Rapid Transit" is a public transportation system operating on an exclusive right of way and designated as such by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
- A municipality submits to the minister a request for the allocation of moneys for public transportation and a detailed estimate of how such allocation is to be spent. The minister then issues such allocation as is considered appropriate.
- A municipality, having been issued an allocation, must annually and, with the consent of the minister, may at any time during the year submit to the minister:
  - a detailed statement of receipts and expenditures in respect of public transportation in the form prescribed by the minister;
  - a declaration of the treasurer of the municipality that the statement is correct;
  - a declaration of an officer of the municipality or officer responsible for public transportation that the statement contains only receipts and expenditures for such public transportation; and
  - a request for payment of moneys allocated, authorized by a resolution of council.
- The total of all payments made to a municipality in respect of expenditures made for public transportation in any year shall not exceed the amount of money allocated to that municipality.

Basis of Assistance

Conventional Transit Services

- A percentage of eligible operating costs based on the population of the municipality.
- 75 per cent of eligible expenditures for the acquisition, replacement, and rehabilitation of capital assets such as buses, vehicle maintenance facilities, transit terminals, etc.
- 75 per cent of eligible expenditures properly chargeable to rapid transit construction.

Special Transit Services for Disabled Persons

- A percentage (25 per cent where the cost of acquiring the vehicle has already been subsidized through this program, otherwise 30 per cent) of eligible operating costs, plus a passenger-based component of $3.45 (1991 rate) per trip.

  A minimum operating subsidy of 50% of the municipality's actual net operating cost is guaranteed.
- 75 per cent of the cost of acquiring service-related computer hardware and software.
- 50 per cent of the cost of all other capital assets, e.g. vehicles.

Demonstration Projects

- By agreement with the minister, up to 100 per cent of the cost of a demonstration project.

Reference

- The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act
- Municipal Transit Manual
- Municipal Transit Manual For Specialized Services

Further Information

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Public Transportation Office
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AIRPORTS

Purpose of Assistance

To assist with:

- the cost of constructing municipal airports
- the cost of maintaining municipal airports

Eligible Recipients

Designated municipalities

Conditions and Procedures

An agreement with the minister is required.

Basis of Assistance

- 50 per cent or 80 per cent of construction costs, depending on the project
- 50 per cent of the maintenance deficit to a limited amount that varies according to the airport runway length and airport traffic

Reference

The Airports Act

Further Information

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SECTION 21

MINISTRY OF
Treasury and Economics

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ONTARIO MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (OMIC)

Purpose of Assistance

Two auxiliary financial programs of assistance, one of which is on a last resort basis, are provided to municipalities and school boards in the purchase of their debentures.

Eligible Recipients

Municipalities and school boards

Conditions and Procedures

The first auxiliary program operates on a last resort basis. Loans may be made to:

- municipalities with a population of fewer than 20,000, for any municipal purpose,
- municipalities with a population of greater than 20,000, for the following purposes:
  - water works and water supply distribution systems,
  - sewage treatment works, sewers and sewer systems,
  - garbage incineration plants, and
  - drainage works,
- municipalities with a population in excess of 100,000, for the purpose of stadia construction or alteration,
- municipalities on behalf of school boards, or directly to school boards, for any school board undertakings.

The second auxiliary program involves only school boards. Loans may be made to supplement the direct capital grants program of the Ministry of Education. The term of the loans is 20 years and reflects all terms and conditions established by the federal government pertaining to the Canada Pension Plan. Interest is payable semi-annually, with the principal due and repayable at maturity.

Basis of Assistance

The last resort lending program is available as an assurance of debenture financing for those borrowers who otherwise have no reasonable source of capital funds. All loans are subject to statutory and procedural considerations. Borrowers are expected to seek out alternative sources of capital funds. Treasury staff assistance and guidance is available for this. In practice, most borrowers do in fact find more advantageous financing elsewhere.

The OMIC last resort lending rate reflects interest rate market conditions.

Reference

Ontario Municipal Improvement Corporation Act

Further Information

For procedural information regarding a debenture loan, or for the current interest rate, contact:
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Ministry of Treasury and Economics
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COMMUNITY ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION AGREEMENTS PROGRAM (CETA)

Purpose of Assistance

To assist communities experiencing substantial economic dislocation to create jobs and investment opportunities

The program provides special assistance to cost-share local projects that lead to long-term job creation and economic diversification.

Eligible Recipients

Communities with populations over 20,000 and experiencing economic dislocation

Factors that may be considered in determining eligibility include:

- a high unemployment rate,
- a high welfare caseload,
- a low non-residential investment,
- layoffs or plant closures, or
- other relevant economic criteria.

Communities with populations under 20,000 may be considered for funding in cases of exceptional economic dislocation.

Conditions and Procedures

Municipalities are responsible for applying to the province for consideration for CETA funding. In their applications municipalities will document the degree of local economic difficulty, substantiate the need for assistance, and identify proposals that will address local problems.

Municipalities will be encouraged to form local advisory committees or to use existing public/private working groups to help identify potential projects. Municipalities will play an important role in encouraging local participation from business, volunteer, and special interest groups in the economic development process.

Community Economic Transformation Agreements are signed between the Treasurer of Ontario and the municipality, setting out the terms and conditions for funding.

The ministry is the lead agency in administering the program.

Basis of Assistance

Assistance will be tailored to meet specific local needs. Funding will be made available for a variety of municipal projects that lead to long-term job creation, economic diversification, and private sector investment.

CETA assistance usually involves funding for projects that are not eligible under existing provincial or federal programs, although enrichments of existing community development programs will be considered in cases where additional financing is necessary to ensure project viability.

The amount of assistance available to communities will vary according to the type and scale of the projects and local economic circumstances. Funding will be made available for projects on a cost-shared basis with a municipality.

For municipally sponsored projects, the CETA program may provide up to 50 per cent of total project costs.

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